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10:00 A.M.

2 <u>P R O C E E D I N G S</u>

THE COURT: You may proceed.

OPENING STATEMENT BY MS. SHERWIN

MS. SHERWIN: Thank you, Your Honor.

In these three cases, Mr. Engram, Mr. Holmes and Mr. Rix were all searched more than once by the defendant officer, Richard Vass. You will hear about six strip searches of Mr. Holmes, a couple strip searches of Mr. Engram, and a couple of strip searches of Mr. Rix.

Those strip searches were characterized, in general, by Officer Vass unbuckling the men's pants, reaching -frequently reaching his hand down into the space between their jeans and their boxer shorts, running his hand up the crack of their buttocks, often looking inside their underwear, sometimes handling their genitals through their boxer shorts, sometimes pulling their pants and underwear down far enough for their private parts to be exposed in public.

Some of the strip searches were witnessed by other people, including 90-year-old Johnnie Thornton, who was riding by in his wheelchair and saw Mr. Engram being strip-searched, decided it was none of his business, and went inside his house; two independent witnesses who witnessed strip searches of Mr. Holmes.

And then finally, on January 16th of 2007, Percy

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Jones, witnessed Officer Vass strip-search Mr. Engram in 1 2 public. And he came up to Mark at that time and said, "I saw 3 what happened to you; if you need a witness to stand up for 4 you, I will do so." 5 Prior to this time, Mr. Engram and his cousin, Michael Holmes, were very afraid of Officer Vass and did not 6 want to come forward, but Mr. Jones' encouragement caused 7 8 Mr. Engram to think, there is something I can do about this and to try to find some witnesses to these strip searches. 9 Both of these men, in fact, all three of them, were 10 11 strip searched in their neighborhood. Michael Holmes and Mr. Engram grew up in the house on 9504 C Street. Their 12 grandmother and mothers have lived there since 1969. 13 Now, you will hear from not only the plaintiffs, but 14 15 also from Mr. Engram's mom, who will testify that Mark told her 16 about these improper strip searches long before this lawsuit 17 was filed and how it made him feel. And given the time limitation, I'll just leave it at 18 19 that, and we'll get into the evidence, Your Honor. 20 THE COURT: Thank you. OPENING STATEMENT BY MR. BOLEY 21 22 Thank you, Your Honor. The joint MR. BOLEY: 23 pre-trial statement -- I mean, throughout the case, and as late 24 as the joint pre-trial statement, this case has been presented

as involving a claim of a series of discrete incidents.

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first is an incident involving Mr. Engram, Michael Holmes, and Richard Rix, that they contend that on September 22nd, 2005, they were searched by Officer Vass. Officer Vass worked on street-level narcotics crime in the neighborhood; however, he was not on duty on the date and time alleged by the plaintiffs. He knows the three individuals, the three plaintiffs, but he has never seen all three together.

Secondly, a few days after October 17th, 2005,
Richard Rix contends that Officer Vass searched him. He claims
that Officer Vass checked his name for warrants. Officer Vass
denies having any contact with Mr. Rix, as described by
Mr. Rix. And there is no record of his name having been
checked for warrants on that date or within that time frame.

On July 19th, 2006, Officer Vass arrested Mr. Holmes for possession of rock cocaine for sale. The arrest took place in a secluded backyard, where Officer Vass captured Mr. Holmes after a brief foot chase over a high wooden fence. Officer Vass only searched Mr. Holmes' outer clothing at the time of the arrest.

On February 20th, this is the fourth incident on February 20th, 2007, Officer Vass stopped a vehicle driven by Daniel Garibay in the 9400 block of International Boulevard.

Officer Vass was working with a federal narcotics investigation. Through a wiretap, he and other officers learned that the person from the vehicle had just sold heroin

to another individual.

Officer Vass conducted a stop for the purpose of confirming the identity of the persons in the vehicle. He documented that Michael Holmes was a passenger in the car. A police sergeant who participated in the search searched Mr. Holmes. The officers did not want to interfere with the ongoing investigation by arresting any of the occupants of the car; the officers, therefore, only searched the occupants for weapons.

Finally, Mr. Engram alleges that Officer Vass strip-searched him at the corner of 98th and D Street on January 16, 2007; Officer Vass was on another investigation at the time of the alleged search.

These are the only incidents which form the basis of the complaint. Plaintiffs would like to expand this case by litigating other searches involving other incidents than alleged in the complaint. This evidence, which is highly contested, is not relevant to the issues before the Court. The defendants will be prejudiced if the Court permits plaintiffs to introduce evidence on these incidents since the defendants have organized their defense around the incidents alleged in the complaint. We therefore object to any evidence regarding other alleged searches of the plaintiff or alleged searches of other persons.

Thank you, Your Honor.

1	THE COURT: Thank you.
2	And you are calling your first witness?
3	MR. HADDAD: Plaintiffs call Defendant Officer Vass.
4	We are calling him, obviously, as an adverse
5	witness, Your Honor.
6	THE COURT: Yes, I would assume so.
7	RICHARD VASS,
8	called as an adverse witness for the Plaintiff, having been
9	duly sworn, was examined and testified as follows:
10	THE CLERK: Please state your full name and spell
11	your last name for the record.
12	THE WITNESS: First name is Richard, R-i-c-h-a-r-d,
13	last is Vass, V-a-s-s.
14	THE COURT: You may proceed.
15	MR. HADDAD: Thank you.
16	CROSS-EXAMINATION
17	BY MR. HADDAD:
18	Q. Good morning, Officer.
19	A. Good morning, sir.
20	Q. I believe we've only met once before at your deposition; is
21	that right?
22	A. That's one time we have met, I've seen you around, but yes,
23	one time we've met.
24	Q. Ready to go?
25	A. Sure.

- 1 **Q.** Okay.
- 2 How long have you been employed with the Oakland
- 3 Police Department?
- 4 A. I've been employed for ten years.
- 5 **Q.** Okay.
- 6 A. But as a police officer, it will be ten years in September.
- 7 Q. And the extra length of time that you are implying there
- 8 would be when you attended the academy; is that right?
- 9 **A.** Yes, sir.
- 10 **Q.** You went to a POST certified academy in 2000?
- 11 **A.** Yes.
- 12 Q. And by now, I take it that you have testified in court
- 13 | hundreds of times?
- 14 **A.** Yes, sir.
- 15 **Q.** You received training about court testimony?
- 16 **A.** Yes.
- 17 **Q.** What have you been trained about?
- 18 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Vaque, Your Honor.
- 19 **THE COURT:** Objection is sustained. Objection is
- 20 sustained.
- 21 MR. HADDAD: That's fine.
- 22 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 23 | Q. Have you had a chance to review your deposition in this
- 24 case?
- 25 **A.** I have.

- 1 | Q. Have you had a chance to review any other records or
- 2 documentation in anticipation of trial?
- 3 **A.** Sure.
- 4 | Q. What else have you reviewed?
- 5 A. Other police reports. I've tried to look for items -- I'm
- 6 not even sure the proper term, but to try to find other field
- 7 | contact reports, or so forth, of when I've contacted, you know,
- 8 contacted these individuals.
- 9 **Q.** Okay.
- 10 Have you found any other field contact cards?
- 11 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Vague. Other than what?
- 12 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 13 **Q.** Other than what we knew about at the time of your
- 14 deposition and asked you about.
- 15 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Relevance. And calls for
- 16 | speculation.
- 17 **THE COURT:** Objection overruled.
- 18 You may answer.
- 19 THE WITNESS: Not -- no, not really. But just to
- 20 | further, you know, I know I mentioned also that I read the
- 21 | point of view, I think when you deposed me. At the same time,
- 22 | I have read, of course, the point of view again.
- 23 **BY MR. HADDAD:**
- 24 | Q. You said the "point of view"?
- 25 A. Oh, right. It's the DA literature. I know we discussed it

- 1 | in the deposition.
- 2 Q. All right.
- 3 THE COURT: Is that a publication put out by the
- 4 District Attorney's Association?
- 5 **THE WITNESS:** I believe it is.
- 6 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 7 Q. Now, would you briefly take us through your different
- 8 assignments with the Oakland Police Department, please.
- 9 **A.** Sure.
- I was -- as a patrol officer, part of it, of course,
- 11 | was the field training, field training time. But I was a
- 12 patrol officer in the area of Fruitvale, Lake Merritt area for
- 13 | my first probably two years, maybe a tad less.
- 14 From there, I then went to Crime Reduction Team 6,
- 15 which is out of East Oakland, generally from 82nd Avenue to the
- 16 | border of the City of San Leandro, and did most of my time in
- 17 | that.
- I think I did -- I left that somewhere -- I think in
- 19 '08, maybe, as to which time I then somewhat did -- I was a
- 20 | field training officer, assigned as a field training officer.
- 21 And from there, I went to Criminal Investigations
- 22 divisions, where I was an assault investigator. I pretty much
- 23 | did that until almost the present.
- 24 **Q.** Where are you assigned now?
- 25 **A.** Somewhat in limbo, if you will. Still Criminal

- 1 Investigations division, but I'm back on somewhat loan, if you
- 2 | will, to the DEA starting yesterday.
- 3 Q. To the DEA?
- 4 A. Starting yesterday.
- 5 Q. All right.
- 6 When you were an assault investigator for the
- 7 | Criminal Investigations sections -- section, what kind of
- 8 | assaults did you investigate?
- 9 A. Pretty much everything.
- 10 Q. Okay, including sexual assaults?
- 11 | A. I'm sorry, no. It was assault from just a simple battery
- 12 of a person, let's say punching somebody, or so forth, all the
- 13 | way to a person being shot or stabbed.
- 14 Q. All right.
- 15 | A. And basically, of course, if a person died, or whatever,
- 16 | the homicide unit did that.
- 17 **Q.** You mentioned that you were assigned as a field training
- 18 officer in 2008, what does that entail?
- 19 **A.** Um --
- 20 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Relevance.
- 21 THE COURT: Objection overruled.
- You may answer.
- 23 **THE WITNESS:** Basically involved additional training
- 24 to train another person that is getting released out of the
- 25 | academy on what it's like to be -- as a police officer going

- 1 | through, there is a book that you have with daily activities to
- 2 | try to get them to know, just because some of these people have
- 3 | never made, let's say a vehicle stop, and so forth. So you are
- 4 giving them firsthand knowledge of what it's like.
- 5 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 6 Q. So as a field training officer, your Police Department has
- 7 | entrusted you to train the next generation of patrol officers;
- 8 is that right?
- 9 A. That would be true.
- 10 Q. Now, you were assigned to Team 6 on East Oakland beat from
- 11 | about 2002 to 2008; is that right?
- 12 A. I would say everything, but not so much when you say a
- 13 | "beat." I was more assigned to an area.
- 14 **Q.** Okay.
- 15 What was the area that you worked between 2004 and
- 16 2007?
- 17 A. Same area.
- 18 Q. Can you describe the boundaries of that area, please.
- 19 A. Sure. 82nd Avenue to the City of San Leandro would be
- 20 Oakland's east and west boundaries. And when I say Oakland,
- 21 | that is not true to a map, but that is -- the cities refer to
- 22 | east and west.
- 23 And then so the north and south division would be,
- 24 of course, the hills, and south would be, let's say, the water,
- 25 | if you will.

1 Q. All right.

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Now, between 2004 and 2007, I want to ask you if the area that you worked included the following specific areas where it has been alleged that you have done strip searches on people in the field.

First of all, during that period of time --

7 MR. BOLEY: I'm going to move to strike the 8 reference to searches and the allegations.

THE COURT: Just ask the question about the

- 10 location.
- 11 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 12 Q. During that period of time, did -- were you assigned to an
- 13 | area that included C Street and 98th?
- 14 **A.** Yes.
- 15 Q. Did your area of work also include International and 103rd
- 16 Avenue?
- 17 A. Yes, they did.
- 18 | Q. Did the area of your work include MacArthur and 109th
- 19 Avenue?
- 20 **A.** Yes.
- 21 | Q. Did the area of your work include International Boulevard
- 22 and -- excuse me, International Boulevard and 94th Avenue?
- 23 **A.** Yes.
- 24 Q. Did the area of your work include 9504 C Street?
- 25 **A.** Yes.

- 1 | Q. Did the area of your work include 107th Avenue and Pontiac?
- 2 A. Yes, it did.
- 3 | Q. Did the area of your work include 98th Avenue and E Street?
- 4 **A.** Yes.
- 5 | Q. Did the area of your work include C Street and 92nd Avenue?
- 6 A. Yes, it did.
- 7 | Q. Did the area of your work include B Street and 98th Avenue?
- 8 A. Confirm you said B, as in boy?
- 9 **Q.** Yes.
- 10 **A.** Yes.
- 11 Q. Did the area of your work include 9409 C Street?
- 12 **A.** Yes.
- 13 Q. Did the area of your work include 87th Avenue and Birch
- 14 | Street?
- 15 **A.** Yes.
- 16 \ Q. And did your patrol duties typically regularly take you to
- 17 | the North County Jail, as well?
- 18 MR. BOLEY: Objection as to the term "patrol."
- 19 MR. HADDAD: Strike that.
- 20 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 21 | Q. As a patrol officer between 2004 and 2007, on occasion did
- 22 | you go to the North County Jail in the course of your job?
- 23 | A. Um, if I can just interject? Just the word patrol officer,
- 24 | assuming I'm somewhat more tied to patrol, not so much the
- 25 | case. But I did go to North County, if that's your answer.

- 1 **Q.** Okay.
- 2 A. As well as Santa Rita Jail.
- 3 **Q.** Okay.
- 4 Did the area of your work also include Elmhurst and
- 5 D Street?
- 6 A. Yes, it did.
- 7 | Q. Now, were you a patrol officer, or were you not a patrol
- 8 officer, during -- between 2004 and 2007?
- 9 A. Um, you know, it's kind of -- I don't want to say a loose
- 10 term, but not so much.
- 11 **Q.** Okay.
- So specifically, what did your job require you to do
- 13 | during that period?
- 14 **A.** You said '04 to '07?
- 15 **Q.** '04 to '07.
- 16 | A. Um, well, I pretty much wasn't in patrol. I was assigned
- 17 | to a special unit, or a preferred unit, if you will, to CRT6,
- 18 | which is primary objectives were violence as well as -- you
- 19 know, stopping the violence, of course, as well as narcotic
- 20 | activity. And they seemed like, honestly, they just kind of
- 21 overlapped.
- 22 \ Q. So, in this special unit you were assigned to, how did that
- 23 differ than a normal patrol officer duty?
- 24 **A.** Um, in general, we were not tied to the radio, meaning that
- 25 | we didn't have a general line-up with the rest of patrol.

We -- unless -- depending upon the call. But generally, a dispatcher comes on, and there is a crime that happens on, let's say, a beat, dispatcher get on and sends a unit over to this crime. Could be a domestic violence call, or whatever, and that patrol officer would respond to that.

We really didn't so much respond by dispatchers, because what we were responsible for is generally meeting with homicide, being in touch with the homicide investigators, discussing what was going on in their cases. And they would ask, say, there was a homicide, in a general spot. They would request, hey, can you guys find some witnesses over there, maybe do some surveillance over there?

A lot of times we would set up a surveillance spot, which was generally high activity going on. We would arrest, generally, let's say a seller, maybe a buyer or two. Maybe homicide would or would not want to interview them. That was, of course, a big part of what we were doing.

The other role, also, was just general narcotic activity, as well, doing, let's say, a buy/bust operation where you have undercover officers go out, buy drugs from a drug dealer; we would then, of course, arrest the drug dealer that sold drugs to the undercover officer.

We also did surveillance operations, maybe, for instance, for me would do a surveillance. I would be undercover at the time, observe the drug transactions, and just

general talking and getting to know the people that were 1 actually out there selling drugs by our being out in the area. 2 3 Okay. Q. 4 So as a member of that team, were you given more --5 strike that. 6 As a member of that team, were you given more 7 discretion than a normal patrol officer about how you would 8 spend your day? 9 Objection. Vague and calls for MR. BOLEY: speculation. 10 11 THE COURT: Objection is overruled. 12 You may answer. 13 THE WITNESS: I'm not sure when you say -- I mean, I 14 don't know, when you say discretion, I mean, a supervisor would 15 have a general idea of what was going on, and so forth. 16 not sure if that would be considered part of the discretion 17 part. 18 BY MR. HADDAD: 19 Rather than being dispatched to particular incidents, you 20 or you and your partner would use your judgment about where you 21 would go in the area that you worked; is that right? A. Um, for the most part, yes, but, at the same time, it would 22 23 also depend upon -- you know, they had a lot of other 24 operations that we were constantly doing, so what other 25 operations were going on at that time, and maybe if a murder

- 1 happened, or whatever, we would then generally be tied to
- 2 assisting with that as opposed to -- we sometimes we didn't --
- 3 | Q. If there wasn't a particular job that you were assigned to
- 4 at any given time, you were allowed to use your discretion to
- 5 decide where you would take your patrol car and do your work in
- 6 East Oakland; is that right?
- 7 **A.** I would say generally, yes.
- 8 **Q.** Okay.
- Now, how many other members were on your team?
- 10 A. Pretty much stayed with six for -- six police officers.
- 11 There was a time I think we were up to eight for a while, but
- 12 generally always gravitated back to six.
- 13 | Q. Did the same team remain relatively constant between 2004
- 14 and 2007?
- 15 **A.** No.
- 16 **Q.** Did you communicate with members of your team by cell
- 17 phone?
- 18 | A. Yes.
- 19 **Q.** And that was when you were on the job patrolling; is that
- 20 right?
- 21 | A. You said patrolling, and I'm just trying to get --
- 22 | Q. Driving around in East Oakland in your patrol cars.
- 23 **A.** Um-hmm.
- 24 **Q.** Yes?
- 25 | A. Is your question, did I use my cell phone to talk to other

- 1 | members of the team during that time period?
- 2 **Q.** Yes.
- 3 A. Occasionally, yes.
- 4 Q. Sometimes you used the radio and sometimes you used your
- 5 | cell phones, is that it? Yes?
- 6 **A.** Sure.
- 7 **Q.** Now, when you spoke with other officers from your team by
- 8 cell phone, that typically would be a conversation that the
- 9 Police Department did not record; is that right?
- 10 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Calls for speculation.
- 11 THE COURT: Objection overruled.
- 12 You may testify, if you know.
- 13 **THE WITNESS:** I would imagine they did not record
- 14 it.
- 15 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 16 \ Q. It was your understanding that they did not record cell
- 17 | phone conversations, correct?
- 18 A. That's true.
- 19 **Q.** But they did record radio transmissions, right?
- 20 \mathbf{A} . They did.
- 21 **Q.** And when you spoke on a cell phone to other team members,
- 22 | you understood that those conversations did not trigger written
- 23 | entries in the computer-aided dispatch system, correct?
- 24 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Calls for speculation.
- 25 Lacks foundation.

THE COURT: Objection overruled.

On this line of questioning, I'm going to ask you to answer based upon your understanding; in other words, did you understand the cell phone conversations were recorded, or other kinds of records that is being referred to, okay?

So would you repeat the question so it's clear.

BY MR. HADDAD:

- Q. You know what computer-assisted dispatch is, right?
- 9 **A.** I do.

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- 10 Q. And you understand that a CAD log is produced from radio
- 11 | transmissions and radio purges, right?
- 12 **A.** I know some things are produced. To go in the exact
- definition of a CAD purge and all that, that is not my
- 14 | specialty. I do know things are documented.
- 15 Q. We are going to look at some later.
- 16 You have seen CAD purges before, right?
- 17 **A.** Yes.
- 18 | Q. And it's true, isn't it, officer, that cell phone
- 19 communications do not end up on a CAD purge, generally?
- 20 **A.** Using the term, 'generally," to my knowledge, cell phones
- 21 | are not -- are not in CAD data. It would be just the same as
- 22 | me using my cell phone during the course of business or not
- 23 | during the course of business, you know, same expectation of
- 24 privacy is there.
- 25 | Q. Okay. So the CAD system -- strike that.

1 The CAD system is designed to record search information about radio transmissions? 2 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Calls for speculation. 3 BY MR. HADDAD: 4 5 To the best of your knowledge, isn't that true? 6 THE COURT: Objection is -- you may answer the 7 question. 8 BY MR. HADDAD: 9 To the best of your knowledge, the CAD system that your department uses only records certain information about radio 10 11 transmissions; is that right?

- 12 A. Sounds fairly accurate.
- 13 | Q. Now, in the course of -- strike that.
- As a member of this Team 6, what kind of clothes did
- 15 | you typically wear?
- 16 A. It was like a BDU style uniform, blue in color.
- 17 **Q.** BDU?
- 18 **A.** Um-hmm.
- 19 **Q.** For the Court, can you please describe what that is?
- 20 A. Um, it's not made out of wool, which a typical police
- 21 uniform is. It's actually maybe a nylon kind of looking
- 22 | uniform. It has an Oakland patch on one side and still -- as
- 23 | opposed to a normal badge that you would pin on. It would be a
- 24 sewn-on badge. And then just additional pockets, and so forth.
- 25 Q. Why were you assigned to wear the BD uniform rather than

that typical formal uniform? 1 Objection. Calls for speculation. 2 MR. BOLEY: THE COURT: You may testify, if you know. 3 4 I would say part of the reason why --THE WITNESS: 5 one of the reasons we were able to wear it was due to we were 6 doing more search warrants. Searching just requires mainly 7 more just searches, in general, search warrants, searching in 8 vehicles. Uniform was getting dirtier more often, so you could 9 actually just wash this in the washer. BY MR. HADDAD: 10 11 That BDU-type uniform you are describing is the uniform typically used by members of the SWAT team, for instance; is 12 13 that right? Objection. Calls for speculation. 14 MR. BOLEY: 15 THE COURT: Objection overruled. 16 MR. BOLEY: Relevance, too, Your Honor. 17 THE COURT: Overruled. Well, it's not quite the same, if 18 THE WITNESS: 19 that's what you are asking. 20 BY MR. HADDAD: 21 They wear BDU uniforms too, don't they? 22 Under the general umbrella, yes, they wear them. 23 different colors, different markings. 24 THE COURT: And BDU stands for? 25 I knew you would ask. THE WITNESS:

1 I have no idea, honestly. 2 THE COURT: Just called BDU? THE WITNESS: Yeah, just a technical term. I don't 3 4 know. 5 THE COURT: Okay. 6 THE WITNESS: I'm sure it's somewhat of a military 7 kind of background. I think they are acronyms. I'm not sure. 8 BY MR. HADDAD: 9 Were part of your duties as a member of Team 6 to do parole and probation searches of people? 10 11 Yes. A.And if you didn't know whether or not a person was on 12 13 probation or parole, were you allowed to stop them without 14 cause to search them? 15 No. A.16 If you did know a person was on probation and parole, were 17 you allowed to stop them without cause and search them? 18 A . Yes. 19 (Cell phone rings.) 20 THE WITNESS: I'll turn it off. Sorry. I actually 21 turned it off, this morning; not sure, really, what happened. BY MR. HADDAD: 22 23 Now, as to the previous question I asked you, when a person 24 is not -- strike that. 25 When you don't know whether a person is on probation

- 1 | and parole, in your training and experience have you ever
- 2 | learned why you are not allowed to stop them without cause to
- 3 search them?
- 4 A. Sorry, give me one second. I'm going to pull the battery
- 5 out because I'm not sure what's going on.
- 6 Sorry about that.
- 7 **Q.** Ready?
- 8 A. What was the question, though?
- 9 **Q.** In your training and experience, do you have an
- 10 understanding as to why you are not allowed to stop a person
- 11 | who you don't know is on probation and parole without cause?
- 12 A. Just -- I'm sorry, I'm just not catching the question. Can
- 13 | you please repeat it?
- 14 Q. Based on your training and experience, do you have any
- 15 | understanding about why you are not allowed to stop without
- 16 | cause a person who you don't know is on probation and parole?
- 17 **A.** I'm just not catching the question.
- 18 | Can you explain it maybe different?
- 19 **Q.** Okay.
- 20 You just explained that you knew that if you were
- 21 | not aware a person was on probation or parole --
- 22 **A.** Um-hmm.
- 23 | Q. -- then you were not allowed to stop them without cause to
- 24 | search them?
- 25 A. That's true.

Q. Why?

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- 2 A. Well, you said without cause; I mean, it's generally --
- 3 | just to give an explanation, can't just drive up to a person
- 4 and search a person without cause.
- 5 **Q.** Okay.
- 6 Even if the person happens to be on parole if you
- 7 don't know they are on parole when you stop them, then it's not
- 8 | proper to stop them; isn't that right?
- 9 **A.** Well, you are saying stop versus search, you can talk --
- 10 you know, whoever you would like, but as far as going -- if a
- 11 person is not on parole, can you search them -- if you know
- 12 they are on parole, can you search them? The answer is no.
- 13 Q. Okay, let me go a different way.
- If a person is on parole but you don't know it, you
- 15 | are not allowed to search them without cause; isn't that right?
- 16 | A. I would say without -- you can't do it without cause. And
- 17 I'm assuming if there is a consent issue as well, if they don't
- 18 | consent, that would be true.
- 19 Q. And you knew that before 2004, didn't you?
- 20 A. Absolutely.
- 21 **Q.** Okay.
- 22 Now, have you had training about strip searches?
- 23 **A.** I have.
- 24 \ Q. And you received training about strip searches at the POST
- 25 | certified academy that you attended; is that right?

- 1 A. You know, I wouldn't -- I would be speculating. I'm sure I
- 2 did; unfortunately, I can't necessarily say that, you know, I
- 3 definitely recall that particular block or not. But I'm sure I
- 4 did.
- 5 Q. All right.
- 6 You do recall being trained about strip searches by
- 7 | your department; isn't that right?
- 8 **A.** I do.
- 9 Q. You do? In fact, you recall being trained in 2004 by
- 10 Deputy Chief Israel himself about the revised strip search
- 11 policy?
- 12 A. Not deputy chief at that time, but yes.
- 13 Q. He had a different rank, but it was Jeffrey Israel,
- 14 | correct?
- 15 A. Yes, it was.
- 16 **Q.** Who is now deputy chief, correct?
- 17 **A.** Yes.
- 18 Q. And you understood that you have always been required to
- 19 | follow all the policies and procedures of the Oakland Police
- 20 | Department; is that right?
- 21 **A.** Yes.
- 22 | Q. As long as you are a member of the department, it's your
- 23 | duty to know those policies and follow them, correct?
- 24 | A. I would say definitely to the best of my ability,
- absolutely.

- 1 Q. All right, well, there is a specific order that requires
- 2 you to know them and follow them; isn't that true?
- 3 **A.** I would say I imagine there is, yes.
- 4 **Q.** Okay.
- I'm going to ask you about Exhibit 15. And I'll
- 6 bring it up for your review.
- 7 **A.** Okay.
- 8 Q. Is it in front of you now?
- 9 **A.** Yes.
- 10 Q. I've turned it to the second page for you.
- 11 First of all, do you recognize this page, which says
- 12 | Manual of Rules, 1998, at the very upper left-hand corner?
- 13 | A. I'm sure I read it a long time ago. I don't honestly have
- 14 | a recollection, but I'm sure I've read it or perused it.
- 15 Q. Do you see section 314.36, "Knowledge of Laws and
- 16 Regulations"?
- 17 **A.** Yes.
- 18 Q. Do you see that?
- 19 **A.** Yes, I do.
- 20 | Q. And you see where it says, "every member is required to
- 21 establish and maintain a working knowledge of all laws and
- 22 ordinances enforced in the City"; do you see that?
- 23 **A.** I do.
- 24 | Q. Further, "every member and employee is required to
- 25 | establish and maintain a working knowledge of the rules and

- 1 policies of the department and all general and special orders
- 2 of the department or appropriate division thereof"; do you see
- 3 that?
- 4 | A. I do.
- 5 Q. "In the event of improper action or breach of discipline,
- 6 | it will be presumed that the member or employee was familiar
- 7 | with the law, rule or policy in question."
- 8 Do you see that?
- 9 **A.** I do.
- 10 Q. So this is a rule of your Police Department; is that right?
- 11 **A.** That is.
- 12 Q. And you understood that as long as you've been a member of
- 13 | the department; is that right?
- 14 | A. That is true.
- 15 | Q. And you are bound by this rule as well; is that right?
- 16 **A.** True.
- 17 MR. HADDAD: Your Honor, this exhibit is already in
- 18 | evidence, but I just was wondering; do you want us to move for
- 19 the admission of things that have already been entered in
- 20 evidence in this new phase?
- 21 **THE COURT:** If they've already been admitted, no.
- 22 But I would suggest that you check with Mr. Bowser to make sure
- 23 that he shows they are admitted.
- MR. HADDAD: Okay.
- 25 **THE COURT:** Is 16 admitted?

1	MR. HADDAD: This is 15.		
2	THE COURT: Excuse me.		
3	MR. BOLEY: Your Honor, with regard to our		
4	understanding, we had moved for separate trials, and we		
5	understood that this is a separate trial, and that the evidence		
6	on this issue, i.e., the liability of Officer Vass, will be		
7	based on the evidence that is presented during this portion of		
8	the trial.		
9	THE COURT: Well, yes. And then there would be no		
10	evidence in the other trial unless similar evidence were		
11	introduced that that officer was familiar with this document,		
12	okay?		
13	MR. BOLEY: And for convenience, I don't have any		
14	problem referring to the exhibit, but I just want to be clear		
15	that the evidence that the liability of each officer is		
16	based on the evidence produced at the time of		
17	THE COURT: Yes, yes.		
18	MR. BOLEY: of their trial.		
19	THE COURT: Okay, yes, certainly.		
20	BY MR. HADDAD:		
21	Q. Now, take a look at Exhibit 14, if you will. It's the		
22	previous one in that book.		
23	A. I'm there.		
24	Q. You've seen this before, haven't you?		
25	A. Yes, I have.		

- 1 Q. What is that?
- 2 A. It was the training bulletin for searching of persons,
- 3 when -- which also fell under the strip search policy, which
- 4 | was dated 27 May '04.
- 5 Q. Okay. So this --
- 6 MR. BOLEY: Sorry, Counsel, what number is that?
- 7 MR. HADDAD: Fourteen.
- 8 MR. BOLEY: All right.
- 9 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 10 Q. So Exhibit 14 is the revised strip search policy that now
- 11 Deputy Chief Israel trained you on; is that right?
- 12 | A. Well, you say "now"; at that time trained me on, correct?
- 13 **0.** Yes.
- 14 **A.** Yes.
- 15 Q. What was his rank then, captain?
- 16 | A. I believe so. Not a hundred percent, but I believe so.
- 17 Q. All right.
- 18 Shall we refer to him as Captain Israel when we are
- 19 | talking about him in 2004?
- 20 A. No, no, deputy chief is fine. Just so we were on the same
- 21 page, I just want to verify that.
- 22 | THE COURT: And this particular document is dated
- 23 May 27, '04?
- MR. HADDAD: Yes.
- 25 For the record, this has already been moved into

1 evidence.

2 THE COURT: I believe that's correct.

3 **THE CLERK:** Yes.

- 4 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 5 | Q. Now, this 2004 policy governed any strip search that you
- 6 might want to perform after May 27, 2004; is that right?
- 7 **A.** It did.
- 8 Q. And this policy also defined what a strip search was, do
- 9 you recall that?
- 10 A. Yes, it does.
- 11 Q. All right.
- Now, based on your training and experience in the
- 13 | field, how does your department define strip search?
- 14 | A. Um, did you want me to read this; is that what you are
- 15 asking?
- 16 Q. No, I would like you to tell me what you can remember from
- 17 | your training and experience, please.
- 18 | A. I would say from this particular training day, it was
- 19 rearranging of the clothing to observe underwear or, let's say,
- 20 private parts of a person.
- 21 | Q. And based on the other training that you've received
- 22 | throughout your career with the Oakland Police Department, is
- 23 | that definition, to your knowledge, consistent with the laws
- 24 concerning strip searches?
- 25 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Calls for a legal

conclusion. 1 2 THE COURT: Well, it's his understanding. 3 And the objection is overruled. 4 You may answer. 5 Repeat the question, then, for me. THE WITNESS: 6 BY MR. HADDAD: 7 Yep. Q. 8 Based on your training and experience with the 9 Oakland Police Department, is the definition of strip search that you just gave consistent with the law concerning strip 10 11 searches, as far as you know? 12 Um, I really don't know. I mean, I don't know. 13 Okay. Q. 14 Now, do you agree that as a police officer you are 15 always required to follow the law; is that right? 16 That's true. 17 And there are certain duties that you have as a police 18 officer that you need to perform lawfully; is that right? 19 True. A. 20 In fact, all of your duties, right? 21 That's true. A.22 Okay. 23 And in order to perform your duties lawfully, you 24 need to know what that law allows and doesn't allow; isn't that 25 right?

- 1 **A.** Yes.
- 2 Q. Strip searches in the field are one of the things that your
- 3 department authorizes you to do, correct?
- 4 A. That's true.
- 5 Q. And in order to perform your job lawfully, to the extent
- 6 you do a strip search, you need to know what the law allows and
- 7 | doesn't allow, correct?
- 8 **A.** Yes.
- 9 Q. And it's your duty to know that, isn't it?
- 10 **A.** I would imagine it is my duty, but it's also the training
- 11 | that I get from the department that goes along with that.
- 12 Q. All right.
- Would you agree that a reasonable officer would
- 14 | inform him or herself about to what extent the law allows or
- 15 does not allow a strip search in any given situation?
- 16 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Calls for a legal
- 17 conclusion.
- 18 **THE COURT:** Objection overruled.
- 19 **THE WITNESS:** I would probably research it to the
- 20 best of my ability.
- 21 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 22 | Q. And you think that would be what a reasonable officer would
- 23 do?
- 24 | MR. BOLEY: Objection. That does call for a --
- 25 MR. HADDAD: I'll rephrase that.

1 MR. BOLEY: -- a legal conclusion. 2 THE COURT: Yes. 3 BY MR. HADDAD: 4 Why don't you turn to page 6 of Exhibit 14, please. 5 MR. BOLEY: Sorry, what exhibit? 6 MR. HADDAD: Fourteen. BY MR. HADDAD: 7 8 Do you see that? 9 Page 6, correct. 10 Q. Yes. 11 A. Yes. Do you see the term "strip search" in quotes there near the 12 13 top of the page? 14 Oh, yes, I do. 15 Okay. 16 And this policy says, quote, "strip search," 17 unquote, "means a search that requires a person to remove or 18 arrange some or all of his or her clothing so as to permit a 19 visual inspection of the underwear, brassiere, breasts, 20 buttocks or genitalia of such a person, " unquote. 21 Is that what this says? 22 That is what this says. 23 And that is what Deputy Chief Israel trained you a strip 24 search was; is that right? 25 That's true. A.

Now, even before this May 27th, 2004 policy, there was a 1 2 previous policy of your department that governed strip 3 searches, wasn't there? 4 There was. 5 Would you turn to Exhibit 13, please. 6 MR. BOLEY: Object on the grounds of relevance, Your 7 Honor. 8 THE COURT: Exhibit 13? 9 MR. HADDAD: Yes. BY MR. HADDAD: 10 11 What is this policy? MR. BOLEY: Objection on the grounds of relevance, 12 13 Your Honor. This is a policy from --14 THE COURT: This policy was in effect prior to the 15 dates in question; is that correct? 16 MR. HADDAD: Yes -- well, prior to the May 27th 17 policy, but not prior to all of the searches that are alleged 18 in this case. 19 The first allegation is 2005. MR. BOLEY: 20 They go to '05, '06, '07? THE COURT: 21 There is how many -- two '04 searches. MR. HADDAD: MR. BOLEY: Your Honor, there is no -- looking at 22 23 the complaint, the only -- the only allegations are from '05 24 on.

Yes?

THE COURT:

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MR. HADDAD: In depositions, defense counsel asked Mr. Holmes, for instance, have you been strip-searched other times? Mr. Holmes said -- I believe he said at least about five other times. And then they just dropped it, they didn't ask him about those.

MR. BOLEY: Well --

MR. HADDAD: So it's true they are not in the complaint, but they are incidents that are relevant for a number of reasons. And I believe they are going to be relevant to show -- well, I'll argue this when we need to argue it, but there are going to be some 2004 strip searches that we are going to ask this officer about.

MR. BOLEY: Your Honor, those aren't pled in the complaint, not mentioned in the pre-trial statement.

THE COURT: What is the theory for those, for those -- going into those if they are not alleged as searches that are the gravamen of the case?

MR. HADDAD: Officer Vass has denied ever strip-searching any of these three plaintiffs. These are other incidents where he did strip search them, and there will be witnesses to confirm that.

Also, the nature of the strip searches and the way he performed these strip searches goes to show a pattern. It goes to show intent and motive. They are also going to be relevant for purposes of punitive damages.

Let's wait until we get to those, then, 1 THE COURT: 2 before we go into a policy that is existing before the dates in question here now. 3 4 MR. HADDAD: All right. 5 BY MR. HADDAD: 6 The definition that you -- that you just gave for a strip 7 search, officer, as far as you know, that was the definition 8 that your department used for a strip search, starting with 9 when you began working for the department; isn't that right? Objection. Relevance, Your Honor. 10 MR. BOLEY: 11 THE COURT: Well, objection is overruled. 12 You may answer the question. 13 THE WITNESS: I don't know if that was the same definition they used before '04 or not. 14 15 BY MR. HADDAD: 16 Do you have any recollection about whether the definition 17 of strip search changed according to your department in 18 May 2004? 19 I don't. 20 Objection. Relevance, Your Honor. MR. BOLEY: 21 THE COURT: Objection is overruled. 22 You may answer. 23 I don't know. THE WITNESS: 24 Well, did any of your practices change THE COURT: 25 at any point in time after 2007 or mid 2007?

1 THE WITNESS: No. THE COURT: Excuse me, 2004. Excuse me. 2 3 THE WITNESS: I'm sorry, what was the question? 4 THE COURT: Did any of your practices with regard to 5 strip searches change after May 2004? 6 THE WITNESS: Um, I don't believe they did. I don't 7 know. 8 THE COURT: Okay. 9 BY MR. HADDAD: 10 Now, you've also been trained about parole and probation 11 searches, correct? 12 I have. 13 And as you've described, that is a part of your job on Team 14 6, right? 15 It is. 16 And a parole search is essentially the same as a search 17 incident to arrest; is that right? Objection. Vague as to what he's 18 MR. BOLEY: 19 referring to. 20 Objection is overruled. THE COURT: 21 We've had other testimony about that. 22 THE WITNESS: I would say it's very similar to that, 23 yes. 24 BY MR. HADDAD: 25 Okay, are there any differences?

(Extended pause in the proceedings.) 1 2 Well, I mean, I quess it's somewhat --THE WITNESS: 3 just depends on what the person was arrested for that might make some of the differences. 4 5 BY MR. HADDAD: 6 But as a general matter, are there any differences between 7 a parole search and a search incident to an arrest? 8 You are trained in both, right? Right. 9 A . You do both in the field, don't you? 10 I do. 11 A.Are there any differences? 12 13 I would say in general practice, probably not. I would say 14 they are very similar. 15 Okay. 16 How many parole and probation searches have you done 17 in your career with the Oakland Police Department? Objection, relevance, Your Honor. 18 MR. BOLEY: 19 THE COURT: Objection overruled. 20 It would be hard to put a number on THE WITNESS: 21 A lot. That's kind of ambiguous, but quite a few. 22 BY MR. HADDAD: 23 At this point, do you think it's more than a thousand? 24 I don't know. 25 In the several hundreds, at least?

1	A. Probably.
2	Q. Officer, isn't it true that you do not know whether you're
3	legally allowed to strip search a person in the field just
4	because they are on probation or parole?
5	MR. BOLEY: Objection. Relevance, Your Honor.
6	THE COURT: Objection overruled.
7	THE WITNESS: Um, I'm assuming you are referring to
8	this your strip search policy; is that what you are
9	referring to when you make that claim?
10	BY MR. HADDAD:
11	Q. I'm asking what you know.
12	Isn't it true that you don't know whether you are
13	legally allowed to strip search a person in the field just
14	because they are on probation or parole?
15	A. Um, I can tell you what I did on that as far as the
16	general, I'm it's I don't have a great answer on that,
17	no.
18	Q. Okay.
19	So as you sit here today, you really don't know
20	whether or not you are allowed to strip search somebody in the
21	field simply because they are on probation or parole?
22	MR. BOLEY: Argumentative, Your Honor.
23	THE COURT: Objection overruled.
24	THE WITNESS: No, I'm not saying that.
25	Like I said, I always believed that you needed a

little something more. But, if you want me to cite to a 1 2 particular case law, I cannot. BY MR. HADDAD: 3 4 All right. 5 I'm going to hand you a copy of your deposition. 6 Give one to the Court. I'm opening this to page 85. 7 Are you ready? 8 Sure. A . 9 Now, I would like to read to you from line 2. MR. BOLEY: Can we first find out what he is 10 11 referring to? MR. HADDAD: I said page 85, line 2, to page 86, 12 13 line 2. THE COURT: Line 2 begins in the middle. 14 15 MR. HADDAD: Oh, my mistake. 16 Line 10, 85, line 10. 17 THE COURT: I think it's line 11, but that's all right. 18 19 Is that where you are saying is your question, 20 "Okay, I'm just trying to understand"? 21 MR. HADDAD: No, "Based on your experience." 22 Going to what line? MR. BOLEY: 23 Eighty-five. THE COURT: 24 MR. HADDAD: Eighty-five, line 10. 25 MR. BOLEY: It's not impeachment.

1	THE COURT: You are asking the question, "I'm just
2	trying to understand what your understanding is based on your
3	experience and training" is that it?
4	MR. HADDAD: Apparently, I have a different page and
5	line numbers. I don't know why that is.
6	(Counsel confer.)
7	THE COURT: Looking at 85.
8	MR. HADDAD: No, it's not the number at the very
9	bottom of the page, there is a little 85 kind of right here.
10	THE COURT: Well, okay, I think what you are looking
11	at is 86, at least in the manner in which we have the bound
12	depositions.
13	You are asking about, "Based on your experience,
14	training and your policies of department"
15	MR. HADDAD: Yeah, yeah, that's where I'm starting.
16	THE COURT: On page 86.
17	MR. HADDAD: All right.
18	MR. BOLEY: All right, so let me
19	THE COURT: It goes on with a lot of objections.
20	MR. HADDAD: But his answer concludes on line 2 of
21	the next page.
22	THE COURT: I see that, but once we get through with
23	a lot of objections
24	MR. BOLEY: What
25	THE COURT: Might as well start on line 19, because

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you've got objections and "repeat that again," et cetera.
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                MR. BOLEY: And --
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                MR. HADDAD: I do need to ask the initial
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     question -- can I just ask and we'll get through it quickly?
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                THE COURT: And then get down to the bottom of the
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     page without all the yes and answered stuff.
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                MR. HADDAD:
                             Yes.
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     BY MR. HADDAD:
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         At line 10, read along with me.
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         On page 85?
     A.
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         Yeah.
     Q.
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     A.
         Okay.
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                MR. HADDAD:
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              "Q.
                    Based on" --
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                MR. BOLEY:
                            Page 86?
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                THE COURT:
                             Eighty-six.
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                MS. ROSEN:
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                MR. HADDAD:
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                    Based on your experience,
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               training and your policies of your
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               department, are you allowed to conduct
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               a strip search of a parolee in the
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               field based solely on that person's
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               status as a person on parole?"
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                And then skipping to line 19:
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1	"Q. I'm not asking what you do, I'm
2	asking what you are allowed to do
3	under the policies of your department
4	based on your training and
5	experience."
6	Line 23:
7	"A. I'm not sure. I don't know on
8	that particular example. I don't
9	know.
10	"Q. All right. So you're not sure?
11	"A. That's my answer."
12	Q. Did I just read that accurately?
13	A. You read it, yes. Sounds pretty accurate.
14	MR. BOLEY: Your Honor, I think we should be reading
15	to page 87, line 8.
16	THE COURT: Fine, go ahead.
17	MR. HADDAD:
18	"Q. Now, have you ever conducted a
19	strip search of a parolee?"
20	"Ms. Rosen: Anywhere?
21	"Me: In the field.
22	"A. It's possible. I can't think of
23	a specific incident, but it is
24	possible.
25	"Q. So certainly, it's not your

1 normal procedure, you personally? 2 "A. Right. 3 To do a strip search whenever you **"**Q. 4 determine a person is on probation or 5 parole; is that correct? 6 "A. That is very true. 7 When you received training about "Q. 8 your department strip search policy from Deputy Chief Israel, what, if 9 anything, did Deputy Chief Israel tell 10 11 you about whether or not you could do 12 a strip search of a person on 13 probation or parole? I don't recall. 14 "A. 15 **"**0. Have you ever seen anything in 16 writing in terms of the policies of 17 your department that say whether or 18 not you can do a strip search of a 19 person just because they are on 20 probation or parole? 21 Solely on that? I don't know if "A. 22 I have." 23 Your Honor, I would move to strike this MR. BOLEY: 24 I don't see that it's impeachment. reading. 25 MR. HADDAD: You just asked me to read that.

- 1 MR. BOLEY: Well, I want to put the whole thing in
- 2 context, and I --
- 3 THE COURT: Objection is overruled.
- 4 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 5 Q. As you sit here today, do you recall any training you have
- 6 | ever gotten about whether you can legally strip search a person
- 7 just because they are on probation or parole?
- 8 A. No, I don't recall.
- 9 Q. And as you sit here today, have you ever seen any written
- 10 policies of the Oakland Police Department saying whether or not
- 11 | you can strip search a person just because they are on
- 12 | probation or parole?
- 13 A. Yes. Have I received training on that?
- 14 **Q.** Yeah.
- 15 A. Not that I can recall.
- 16 | Q. Have you seen policies on it, anything in writing from your
- 17 department?
- 18 | A. Not that I recall.
- 19 Q. All right.
- Now, would you please turn to Exhibit 14 again, at
- 21 page 3.
- 22 A. Sorry, Exhibit 14?
- 23 **o.** Yeah.
- 24 At the boom of that page, do you see a section that
- 25 | is headed, "Detainee on Parole or Probation"?

- 1 **A.** I do.
- 2 Q. And you see that this policy says, quote, "as a general
- 3 | rule, a pat search will be justified merely because the officer
- 4 learns the detainee is on parole or is on probation and the
- 5 | search clause authorizes such a search. In fact, a parolee or
- 6 a probationer who has an authorizing search clause may be
- 7 | subjected to a full body search, as described in this bulletin,
- 8 page 5, without any further justification, i.e., reasonable
- 9 suspicion or probable cause."
- 10 Did I just read that correctly?
- 11 **A.** You did.
- 12 Q. So let's turn to page 5 that it refers to.
- 13 At the bottom of page 5, do you see the definition
- 14 of full body search?
- 15 A. Point me in the right direction on the page.
- 16 **Q.** The very last paragraph of page 5.
- 17 A. All right.
- 18 | Q. It says quote, "full body"; do you see that?
- 19 **A.** I do.
- 20 \ Q. So your department explains further, quote --
- 21 MR. BOLEY: Objection. The document speaks for
- 22 | itself.
- 23 **THE COURT:** Do you have a question regarding --
- 24 MR. HADDAD: I do want to ask him about it.
- 25 **THE COURT:** You may continue.

BY MR. HADDAD:

- 2 Q. This paragraph about full body search defines what a full
- 3 | body search is; is that right?
- 4 A. Can I read it?
- 5 Q. Yes.

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- 6 A. Now that I read it, what is the exact question?
- 7 Q. Doesn't that paragraph define what a full body search is,
- 8 according to your department?
- 9 | A. Um, it seems to me like it actually kind of goes more into
- 10 | talking about incident to arrest where a person is going to be
- 11 going to jail.
- 12 Q. Okay, so I'm going to have to read these three lines to
- 13 you.
- 14 This policy says, quote, "full body," unquote,
- 15 | search, parens, "incident to an arrest where the arrestee is
- 16 going to be transported to the jail or the hospital, close
- 17 parens, means a pat down and thorough examination of the
- 18 | arrestee's clothing and containers in his or her possession.
- 19 The top layers of multiple layers of clothing may be removed
- 20 for examination." Unquote.
- 21 Did I read that correctly?
- 22 A. You did.
- 23 \mathbf{Q} . The next page gives an example of a full body search. Do
- 24 | you see that?
- 25 **A.** I do.

- 1 Q. And the example your department gives of a full body search
 2 is --
- 3 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Document speaks for itself.
- 4 THE COURT: Objection overruled.
- 5 MR. HADDAD: Front pants pockets are pulled out,
- 6 reversed and examined. Back pockets are entered by reaching
- 7 | inside, and contents are removed. Hats, gloves and shoes are
- 8 | removed and examined. Waistbands are examined. If suspected
- 9 | evidence, weapons or contraband is discovered during a routine
- 10 | full body search, a more intrusive search, paren strip search,
- 11 closed parens, is allowed for the purpose of removing the
- 12 | item."
- Did I read that correctly?
- 14 A. You did.
- 15 | Q. So your department explained that a strip search is a more
- 16 | intrusive search than a full body search, correct?
- 17 **A.** Yeah.
- 18 Q. That's what that says, isn't it?
- 19 **A.** That's what it says.
- 20 **Q.** And right after that it defines strip search. Do you see
- 21 that?
- 22 **A.** I did see that.
- 23 | Q. And that is a different definition of a search than a full
- 24 body search, isn't it?
- 25 **A.** It is.

- Q. They are not the same?
- 2 A. I'm sorry?

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- 3 Q. They are not the same, are they?
- 4 A. Full body search and a strip search? Seems like they are
- 5 different to me.
- 6 Q. To your knowledge, is Exhibit 14, this 2004 strip search
- 7 | policy, still in full effect?
- 8 A. No, it's not.
- 9 **Q.** Okay.
- Now, as of the time of your deposition, on
- 11 January 14, 2009 nobody had ever told you that Exhibit 14, the
- 12 2004 strip search policy, had been revised or was no longer the
- 13 | policy of your department; isn't that true?
- 14 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Relevance, Your Honor.
- 15 **THE COURT:** Objection overruled.
- 16 **THE WITNESS:** To my knowledge, yes.
- 17 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 18 Q. And as of January 14th, 2009, you had never been told that
- 19 | that policy at Exhibit 14 had been ruled unconstitutional by
- 20 this Court as of March 27th, 2008; isn't that true?
- 21 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Lack of foundation.
- 22 **THE COURT:** Objection is overruled.
- 23 | THE WITNESS: Um, I don't know if you can -- the
- 24 | word "told"; I actually, I think, read it online.
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1 BY MR. HADDAD:

- 2 **Q.** But --
- 3 **A.** I think, like, in the papers.
- 4 Q. But it was still your belief on January 14, 2009 that that
- 5 | policy was still in full effect, correct?
- 6 **A.** Yes.
- 7 Q. Now, throughout your career with the Oakland Police
- 8 Department, you have also understood that the Constitution of
- 9 | the United States governs when and how you are allowed to strip
- 10 | search a person, correct?
- 11 **A.** Yes.
- 12 Q. And has it always been your understanding that a lawful
- 13 | strip search in the field should only be performed when you
- 14 | have probable cause to believe the person may be hiding
- 15 | contraband in their underwear?
- 16 A. You said a lawful strip search?
- 17 **Q.** In the field, yes.
- 18 MR. BOLEY: Overbroad and incomplete hypothetical.
- 19 **THE COURT:** The objection is overruled.
- 20 **THE WITNESS:** Okay.
- 21 Repeat the question, please, again.
- 22 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 23 Q. Would you like me to repeat it?
- 24 A. Yeah. I'm sorry.
- 25 | Q. Has it always been your understanding that a lawful strip

- 1 search in the field should only be performed when you have
- 2 probable cause to believe the person may be hiding contraband
- 3 in their underwear?
- 4 A. When you say -- my understanding, no, I wouldn't say that
- 5 | was my understanding.
- 6 Q. Has that been your practice?
- 7 **A.** It has been my practice, yes.
- 8 Q. Have you always understood, as long as you've been a member
- 9 of the Oakland Police Department, that you're not allowed to
- 10 | strip search someone in the field who is merely detained?
- 11 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Relevance.
- 12 **THE COURT:** Objection is overruled.
- 13 **THE WITNESS:** Well, when I read -- when I read the
- 14 | training bulletin, it -- as I recall, it actually goes into
- 15 | reasonably believing that someone actually was concealing
- 16 | something. I think that's how it said it in there.
- 17 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 18 **Q.** Okay.
- But this is a different question.
- 20 A. All right.
- 21 Q. This is about the difference between someone who is
- 22 detained and someone who's under arrest.
- 23 | A. I thought that --
- 24 | Q. You understand that there is a difference between detention
- 25 and arrest, right?

1 A.I do. 2 As long as you've been a member of the Oakland Police 3 Department, have you understood that you are not allowed to 4 strip search someone in the field who is only detained rather 5 than arrested? 6 I would say that based upon the training, that's kind --7 the training is kind of vague at that point because, in a 8 sense, when a person is on probation or parole, and this is 9 through the training of the department, they would not be under 10 arrest at that point. 11 Would you turn to page 90 of your deposition, please. 12 A. Sure. 13 MR. HADDAD: I would like to read from line 6 to 10. 14 MR. BOLEY: That's not impeachment, Your Honor, not 15 inconsistent with his testimony. 16 THE COURT: The objection is overruled. 17 You may proceed. BY MR. HADDAD: 18 19 Start with me on line 6 of page 90, Officer. 20 yourself. 21 So are you allowed to do a strip "Q. 22 search in the field of a person who is 23 merely detained? 24 "A. No.

You said no?

"Q.

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1 "A. Yeah, I don't believe so." 2 Did I read that correctly? 3 You read it. A.4 And that's the testimony you gave when you were under oath 5 in your deposition; is that right? 6 Absolutely. A . 7 Excuse me? Q. 8 Yeah, I was under oath, absolutely. 9 And that is the testimony you gave, then, isn't it? 10 Yes, it is. That's what I said. 11 All right. 12 Can I clarify? 13 Excuse me? 14 You are asking me a question; am I allowed to clarify? 15 You can clarify later when your attorney asks you 16 questions. 17 A. Okay. Have you ever performed a strip search in the field? 18 19 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Relevance, Your Honor. 20 The objection is overruled. THE COURT: 21 THE WITNESS: I have. 22 BY MR. HADDAD: 23 How many times? 24 I don't recall. 25 It's possibly as many as ten times, isn't it?

- 1 A. Yes, that's possible.
- 2 Q. It could be more than ten, couldn't it?
- 3 A. I said it's possible. I don't --
- 4 | Q. And have you ever done a strip search in the field at the
- 5 | side of a house?
- 6 **A.** I have.
- 7 | Q. How many times have you visually inspected somebody's anus
- 8 | in the course of your job as an Oakland police officer?
- 9 A. I only recall once.
- 10 Q. And who was that to?
- 11 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Relevance, Your Honor.
- 12 **THE COURT:** Objection is overruled.
- 13 **THE WITNESS:** I don't know if this is his true name,
- 14 | but I believe the last name was McCree, first of, I think
- 15 Dynami, D-y-n-a-m-i.
- 16 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 17 | Q. Now, you've been trained in the definition of a visual
- 18 cavity search, haven't you?
- 19 **A.** I have.
- 20 **Q.** Okay.
- 21 And, first of all, what is your understanding, based
- 22 on your training and experience, of the definition of a visual
- 23 | cavity search?
- 24 | A. My understanding, without reading it, is actually looking
- 25 | inside visually someone's rectum, for the male, or for female

inside as well. 1 2 Okay. Q. 3 So at Exhibit 14, page 6, your department says, 4 "visual body cavity search means visual inspection of a body 5 cavity, parens, rectum or vagina, " unquote. 6 Is that also your understanding? 7 It is, but there is a line that it actually goes into a 8 little bit deeper in depth. I don't know if you want to find 9 that, but it's in there. Q. There is a line in this policy that goes deeper in depth 10 11 about visual body cavity searches? I believe so. 12 13 Can a take a minute? 14 Q. Yeah. 15 (Reviewing.) 16 **THE WITNESS:** Are you ready? 17 BY MR. HADDAD: 18 Q. Yeah. 19 Page 7. 20 Um-hmm. 21 The heading is going to be under "Physical and Visual Body 22 Cavity Searches in the Field." 23 Okay. 24 I'll read that whole thing.

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Q.

Yes, go ahead.

1 A. "Officer shall never conduct physical body cavity 2 searches" --3 (Court reporter interruption.) 4 THE WITNESS: "Officers shall never conduct physical 5 body cavity searches, "parentheses, (i.e., physical penetration 6 of the rectum or vagina,) parentheses, "or visual body cavity 7 searches in the field." And then next sentence: "Remember, a 8 visual body cavity search means looking inside a rectum or 9 vaqina." 10 That was the point I was referring to. 11 Okay. Q. And then, "a search warrant or an exigency is required for 12 13 a physical body cavity search, and it can only be conducted by 14 an authorized medical professional." 15 That's the end. 16 Q. All right. 17 So you understood that your department forbade you from conducting any visual cavity searches in the field, 18 19 correct? 20 Um, based upon that definition, yes. 21 Q. And a visual cavity search includes looking at a person's 22 anus; isn't that right? 23 A. Actually, on one page, it gave the general answer. 24 7 what I just read, it went into a more in-depth explanation of

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what it was.

But the question is, looking at someone's anus constitutes 1 Q. 2 a visual cavity search; isn't that true? 3 Objection. Argumentative, Your Honor. MR. BOLEY: 4 Objection overruled. THE COURT: 5 THE WITNESS: Sorry, I just -- I read verbatim what 6 it says and it says looking inside. 7 BY MR. HADDAD: 8 It's been your understanding in the field that looking at 9 someone's anus constitutes a visual cavity search; isn't that 10 right? 11 Um, no, not really, no. 12 0. Okay. 13 Would you turn to page 88 of your deposition, 14 please. 15 You said 88, sir? 16 88. 17 I would like to read lines 14 to 21. What were the lines, please? 18 19 Fourteen to 21. 20 A . Okay. (Reading.) 21 22 THE WITNESS: I read it. 23 BY MR. HADDAD: 24 You've testified" --**"**Q. 25 Objection, Your Honor. MR. BOLEY: It's not

It's not inconsistent with his testimony. 1 impeachment. 2 THE COURT: The objection is overruled. 3 MR. HADDAD: 4 You've testified that when you "Q. 5 did a search of Dynami McCree, you 6 actually visually looked at his anus, 7 do you recall testifying to that? 8 "A. I did. 9 Does that constitute a visual "Q. body cavity search? 10 11 "A. Possibly. I guess somewhat by default of him bending over, " unquote. 12 13 Did I read that correctly? You did, but I also -- there was more discussion about 14 15 there that went further on, which I think statements -- the 16 testimony and everything was there. 17 This is the question I want to ask you at this time, 18 Officer. 19 Now, with Dynami McCree, who you've testified you looked at his anus in the field, in that situation you pulled 20 21 his shorts and underwear down and made him bend over until you 22 could inspect his anus; is that correct? 23 MR. BOLEY: Objection, Your Honor. 24 This is objecting on the grounds of relevance. 25 is going to require us to go into --

1 THE COURT: This is going into another incident, 2 correct? 3 MR. HADDAD: This is the only question I have at this time about this incident. 4 5 THE COURT: Well, I think you have asked enough 6 questions about it. BY MR. HADDAD: 7 8 Is there any other time that you have ever done a visual 9 strip search of a person in the field? MR. BOLEY: Objection. 10 11 MR. HADDAD: I'll rephrase that question. I didn't 12 ask it right, anyways. 13 BY MR. HADDAD: Is there any other time that you have done a visual cavity 14 15 search of a person in the field? 16 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Relevance. 17 THE COURT: Overruled. 18 You may answer. THE WITNESS: Not that I recall. 19 20 BY MR. HADDAD: 21 Is there any other time when you have been able to see 22 another person's anus when you have strip searched them in the 23 field? 24 Objection. Relevance. MR. BOLEY: 25 THE COURT: Objection is overruled.

1 THE WITNESS: I don't believe so.

2 BY MR. HADDAD:

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- Q. Have you ever seen or been present when other Oakland police officers have strip searched people on the street?
- 5 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Relevance.
- 6 THE COURT: Objection is overruled.
- 7 **THE WITNESS:** Um, I may have.

8 BY MR. HADDAD:

- 9 Q. Can you recall any situations like that?
- 10 A. Not off the top of my head, I do not.
- 11 **Q.** What documentation are you required to do when you arrest
- 12 somebody?
- 13 | A. I guess it just depends on what kind of arrest, more than
- 14 anything else.
- 15 **Q.** Generally, are you required to fill out an incident report?
- 16 | A. Um, and when you -- are you referring to an arrest tag when
- 17 | you say "incident report" or actually like a narrative police
- 18 | report?
- 19 **Q.** A narrative police report.
- 20 **A.** When you arrest somebody, was the question?
- 21 **Q.** Yeah.
- 22 **A.** That may be one of the forms you do.
- 23 **Q.** Okay.
- 24 A. Not necessarily. It doesn't necessarily go hand in hand.
- 25 **Q.** You are expected to document your arrest of a person in

- 1 some way, aren't you?
- 2 A. Well, surely, but you mentioned as far as on the narrative
- 3 form; there would be like an arrest tag. Say a person with a
- 4 | warrant, for instance, if a person had a warrant, for instance,
- 5 | that would, of course, be documented on an arrest tag.
- 6 You wouldn't necessarily fill out an actual police
- 7 | report with a narrative on it, it would be that one piece of
- 8 paper with that documentation.
- 9 **Q.** But at a minimum, the type of arrest report you would fill
- 10 | out for someone arrested on a warrant would include information
- 11 | such as name of the arresting officer and the subject arrested?
- 12 **A.** That would be the minimal, absolutely.
- 13 | Q. And the date, time and place of the arrest; is that right?
- 14 A. Yes, they should.
- 15 **Q.** And the fact of the warrant; is that right?
- 16 | A. Yes, the violation itself.
- 17 | Q. And other information as well, correct?
- 18 **A.** Yes.
- 19 | Q. And there is a form your department provides you in that
- 20 | situation, right?
- 21 **A.** True.
- 22 | THE COURT: Is that form separate and apart from a
- 23 | typical arrest report form?
- 24 THE WITNESS: Yes, it is, ma'am, it is. Two
- 25 | separate forms kind of for -- it can be for two separate things

- 1 as well.
- 2 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 3 | Q. Now, when you arrest somebody not because of a warrant, but
- 4 because of a crime committed in your presence, for instance,
- 5 you have to fill out a narrative arrest report, correct?
- 6 A. I believe so. Offhand, I can't think of a reason why you
- 7 | wouldn't, so I would say probably yes.
- 8 Q. You have been trained about the importance of documenting
- 9 your arrests, haven't you?
- 10 **A.** I have.
- 11 **Q.** And you understand that when you arrest somebody, the
- 12 District Attorney will have to review whether the person should
- 13 be charged with a crime, right?
- 14 | A. That's true.
- 15 Q. And typically, the District Attorney will review the
- 16 reports that you turn in in connection with that arrest,
- 17 correct?
- 18 | A. Um, I would imagine they review the report, yes.
- 19 **Q.** Isn't that your understanding, that they do review it?
- 20 **A.** It is my understanding, yes.
- 21 | Q. When you are writing your report, one of the people you are
- 22 | writing it for is someone in the DA's office to look at it,
- 23 right?
- 24 | A. That's true.
- 25 **Q.** You are also writing it for your supervising officers as

- 1 | well, right?
- 2 A. Yes, probably.
- 3 | Q. And you understand that whenever you fill out any
- 4 documentation for your department, it's imperative that you be
- 5 | absolutely truthful, correct?
- 6 MR. BOLEY: Objection as to the term "imperative."
- 7 | THE COURT: Objection is overruled.
- 8 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 9 **Q.** Is that right?
- 10 **A.** Yeah, we absolutely try to be truthful.
- 11 | Q. When you are writing a narrative report of an arrest, you
- 12 | have been trained that it's important to include all the
- 13 | relevant details in connection with the arrest; is that right?
- 14 | A. Um, I think your definition of relevance may be subjective,
- 15 I mean me versus you. I believe what is needed for charging
- 16 and so forth for court, I think that's maybe slightly
- 17 different.
- 18 **Q.** Okay.
- 19 | Well, let me ask you this: If you ever conducted a
- 20 search of a person who you arrested --
- 21 **A.** Um-hmm.
- 22 | Q. -- would you document that in a report?
- 23 **A.** Yeah, absolutely. You are supposed to.
- 24 Q. You are supposed to, right?
- 25 **A.** Correct. Yes, absolutely.

- 1 | Q. And it doesn't matter where you do the strip search, does
- 2 | it, you are supposed to document it, anyways?
- 3 **A.** When you say anywhere, not quite sure.
- 4 | Q. You do it on the street, at the jail, at the Police
- 5 Department; if you strip search someone, you are supposed to
- 6 document it in a report, aren't you?
- 7 | A. Well, I would probably say everything, yes, except the
- 8 | jail. I mean, I don't think I would be doing a strip search so
- 9 | much in the jail. So I mean a -- the jailers may, not
- 10 | necessarily I. I don't know if I want to go along with that
- 11 part of it.
- 12 Q. Have you ever done a strip search of anybody in the jail?
- 13 | MR. BOLEY: Objection. Relevance, Your Honor.
- 14 THE COURT: Objection overruled.
- 15 **THE WITNESS:** Um, I have never done a strip search.
- 16 I have been asked to be a witness for a strip search when
- 17 | someone was brought in for narcotics. Just makes me think
- 18 about it just now.
- 19 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 20 **Q.** Now --
- 21 **THE COURT:** Excuse me.
- 22 And in the -- in a jail setting, who is the person
- 23 | who ordinarily conducts such strip searches?
- 24 **THE WITNESS:** I would imagine it would be their jail
- 25 | facility. In the case that I'm thinking of, it was actually

1 their jailer. Happened to find someone that snuck in --2 brought in narcotics to the jail. And so I didn't see them 3 catch it, but they caught it. And they asked me to be a 4 witness for the jailer, just so they can have another person 5 there. 6 THE COURT: Okay. 7 And you take persons into custody to the jail 8 frequently; is that correct? 9 THE WITNESS: Yes, ma'am. THE COURT: Have you seen the jailers conduct strip 10 11 searches of such persons? THE WITNESS: Um, that's the one time that I can 12 13 definitely think of. It's -- when you say strip search, I mean, it's kind of like an all-encompassing definition, because 14 15 at some point you are visually looking at their underwear in a 16 sense as you are doing a strip search. 17 So for undergarments, there is times when you bring a person to jail, and they are wearing multiple clothing so 18 19 their pants would have to be removed. And now they are down 20 to, let's say, their thermals. Or they are only allowed to 21 bring one item of clothing, so they may have to remove some 22 clothing. 23 So, in a sense, yeah, I quess for them to be brought 24 in, you know, their underwear was observed, but nothing beyond. 25 Does that answer your question?

1 THE COURT: Yes. 2 Have you brought persons into custody --3 THE WITNESS: Um-hmm. 4 THE COURT: -- that the jailers have not strip 5 searched? 6 THE WITNESS: Yeah. I said the majority of the time 7 that's par for the course. 8 That they don't strip search? THE COURT: 9 That they don't strip search, no. THE WITNESS: What kind of a search do they conduct? 10 THE COURT: 11 THE WITNESS: A more thorough search to kind of get them in jail. They will have them take off their shoes, remove 12 13 all kinds of laces. Sometimes sweatshirts and shirts have to 14 be removed to take off, let's say, laces, and everything. 15 are not allowed to have laces because they might try to commit 16 suicide while they are in there. So there is extra precautions 17 they have to do for them to be booked. But that is done through them. 18 That more like a full body search? 19 THE COURT: 20 Yeah, it is. I mean, I think -- I THE WITNESS: 21 mean, I think kind of -- full body searches kind of may be a --22 you know, because a full body search in the field versus in the 23 jail, they are doing just a lot more things, I guess, you know? 24 That's probably the only way I can describe it. 25 They are doing a lot more to ensure that this person

1 can't hurt himself or others. So they are just doing a little 2 bit more. THE COURT: So removing any kind of items that could 3 4 be used --5 THE WITNESS: Right. 6 THE COURT: -- for suicidal purposes or injury of 7 themselves or others? 8 THE WITNESS: Right. They have their own set of 9 protocols for them to actually be booked in a jail. BY MR. HADDAD: 10 11 Have you ever requested that a prisoner you brought into 12 the jail be strip searched at a jail? 13 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Relevance. 14 THE COURT: Overruled. 15 You may answer. 16 THE WITNESS: I know that was -- I can only recall 17 one time, and that was my intention, but that never happened. BY MR. HADDAD: 18 19 What do you mean? I don't understand what you mean. 20 do you say it never happened? 21 A. Um, I think, actually, you do, but a person ended up dying 22 on the way to jail. 23 Oh, okay. 24 But, have you ever actually taken a person -- a 25 prisoner into the jail and asked the jailers to conduct a strip

1 search of that person at the jail? I don't believe I ever have. 2 3 Have you ever assisted with a strip search of anybody at 4 the jail? 5 MR. BOLEY: Asked and answered, Your Honor. 6 THE COURT: The objection is overruled. 7 You may answer. 8 THE WITNESS: Other than that other time that I 9 discussed, not that I recall. BY MR. HADDAD: 10 11 Now, would you please turn to Exhibit 16 in that book in 12 front of you. 13 MR. HADDAD: I believe this is also already in evidence. 14 15 THE WITNESS: You said Exhibit 16? 16 BY MR. HADDAD: 17 Q. Yes. 18 Okay. A . 19 Have you seen this before? 20 I'm sure I have. 21 Q. Okay. So this is a special order From the Office of the 22 23 Chief of Police; is that right?

It's dated April 1st, 2003, correct?

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It is.

- 1 **A.** It is.
- 2 Q. The subject is Racial Profiling Stop Data Collection Form;
- 3 is that right?
- 4 **A.** Yes, it is.
- 5 Q. This is one of those rules of your department that you are
- 6 required to obey, correct?
- 7 **A.** That's true.
- 8 Q. And since the date of this special order, you can see under
- 9 section (a)(1) on the first page?
- 10 **A.** Sorry I don't see a 2(a)(1).
- 11 Q. See "Responsibilities"?
- 12 **A.** Oh, okay I do.
- 13 Q. "A: Members shall be responsible for, 1" --
- 14 MR. BOLEY: Objection. The document speaks for
- 15 itself.
- 16 | THE COURT: Well, you are going to ask him a
- 17 | question about it, I assume?
- 18 MR. HADDAD: Yeah, I am.
- 19 **THE COURT:** That's fine.
- 20 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 21 | Q. This special order requires you to complete a stop data
- 22 | collection form for every vehicle, walking, or bicycle stop
- 23 | conducted during your shift; is that right?
- 24 | A. That's true.
- 25 **Q.** And then you are supposed to submit those forms to the

- 1 assigned supervisor or the available field sergeant or watch
- 2 | commander for review and approval; is that right?
- 3 **A.** Yes.
- 4 Q. All right.
- 5 There are no exceptions under the special order for
- 6 when a stop data collection form is required, correct?
- 7 A. Not to my knowledge.
- 8 **Q.** Is that correct?
- 9 A. I believe that's correct.
- 10 Q. So from April 1, 2003 to the present, whenever you have
- 11 | stopped anybody, you have been required to fill out a stop data
- 12 | collection form, correct?
- 13 | A. Well, someone, um, associated with that stop needs to fill
- 14 | it out, not necessarily me. But the end result is, a stop data
- 15 | form needs to be completed in regards to this stop, not
- 16 | necessarily by me.
- 17 | Q. So for every stop you are involved in, some officer has to
- 18 make sure that a stop data collection form is filled out,
- 19 correct?
- 20 A. That's true.
- 21 | Q. And it's every officer's responsibility in the stop to make
- 22 | sure that a stop data collection form gets filled out for that
- 23 stop, correct?
- 24 **A.** Yes.
- 25 | Q. In addition to stop data forms, what documentation are you

required to fill out when you detain somebody in the field? 1 2 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Vaque as to the term "detained." 3 4 THE COURT: Detained? 5 MR. BOLEY: Yeah. 6 THE COURT: I think it's pretty clear what that 7 means. 8 THE WITNESS: Can you repeat your question? BY MR. HADDAD: 9 In addition to a stop data form, what documentation are you 10 11 required to fill out when you detain somebody in the field? I would say, at minimal, it should be a field contact 12 13 report. 14 Q. Okay. 15 And so can you identify what one of those looks 16 like, I'm going to give you a different book now and ask you to 17 look at Plaintiff's Exhibit 6. 18 Are we done with this one? 19 So I've opened the exhibit book to Plaintiff's Exhibit 6 20 for you. 21 Do you see what that shows on that page? 22 I do. A.23 The first page, which is Bates No. 4615, is an example of a 24 field contact card; is that correct?

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It is.

- 1 Q. And this happens to be one that you filled out concerning a
- 2 | stop involving plaintiff Michael Holmes; is that right?
- 3 **A.** Yes, it is.
- 4 Q. All right, I'll ask you more about that later.
- Now, you are supposed to fill one of those field
- 6 | contact cards out every time you detain a person; is that
- 7 | correct?
- 8 A. You keep saying me; are you referring actually physically
- 9 to me, or just in general is one supposed to be done?
- 10 **THE COURT:** Rephrase the question.
- 11 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 12 Q. You or another officer involved in the detention is
- 13 required to fill out a field contact card for every single
- 14 detention, correct?
- 15 A. Yes -- or, that's my understanding of it, yes.
- 16 | Q. And it's every officer's responsibility in the detention to
- 17 | make sure that a field contact card gets filled out by some
- 18 | officer, correct?
- 19 **A.** Yes, it is.
- 20 **Q.** Based on your training and experience, what is the reason
- 21 | for filling out a field contact card?
- 22 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Calls for speculation.
- 23 THE COURT: You may testify, if you know of your own
- 24 personal knowledge.
- 25 THE WITNESS: I can only -- I would be -- are we

speculating to the whole -- the broad range of it? 1 2 Some of its use is for going back and identifying 3 maybe who this person is, associates or what other 4 investigation is going on at that time. 5 BY MR. HADDAD: 6 Okay. Q. 7 One of the reasons --MR. BOLEY: Excuse me, Your Honor, and I don't mean 8 9 to interrupt at this particular point: I would like to take a 10 break at some point, whenever it's convenient for you to. 11 MR. HADDAD: Could I finish up on this field contact 12 stuff? 13 THE COURT: Yes, but did I hear you say in your 14 answer I thought I heard you use the word speculate, that you 15 were speculating that that is what it's used for. 16 THE WITNESS: I may have, Your Honor. 17 THE COURT: Well, then, I'm going to strike the 18 answer. MR. BURRIS: He said a portion of it. 19 20 The whole thing. THE COURT: 21 BY MR. HADDAD: 22 Officer --0. You want to ask a question so that it's 23 THE COURT: 24 clear that he is not speculating as to his answer, you may do 25 so.

BY MR. HADDAD:

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- 2 Q. Have you been trained that one of the reasons you are
- 3 required to have a field contact card filled out for every
- 4 detention is for officer accountability?
- 5 A. Give me an example. That particular statement doesn't
- 6 stand out. If you can give me maybe an example of that.
- 7 | Q. Have you been taught that your department wants field
- 8 contact cards filled out for every detention of a person so
- 9 that your department knows what its officers are doing on the
- 10 | street?
- 11 **A.** I would imagine that's probably a goal of theirs.
- 12 **Q.** Okay.
- 13 MR. HADDAD: So I'm done with this section now if
- 14 | the Court would like to take a break.
- 15 THE COURT: What, in fact, is this card called that
- 16 | we are looking at, Exhibit 6?
- 17 | THE WITNESS: Yes, ma'am, it's called a field
- 18 | contact card.
- 19 **THE COURT:** And is this kind of a form -- is this
- 20 | form filled out even if no one is arrested, if you just make
- 21 | contact with the individual without any arrest whatsoever?
- 22 **THE WITNESS:** Yes, Your Honor.
- 23 | THE COURT: Okay. Is it filled out if, in fact,
- 24 | there is an arrest made?
- 25 THE WITNESS: Not necessarily. It's kind of -- it

1	kind of just goes off if the officer we would kind of
2	like to maybe link more people or maybe link more associates
3	together, or so forth. But it's not necessarily, no. You just
4	generally need one one item of documentation to talk about
5	contacting these people.
6	THE COURT: And if you made a contact with somebody
7	who was on parole or probation but no arrest report was made,
8	would you use this form to so indicate contact was made?
9	THE WITNESS: Just so I understand, and he also
10	didn't get arrested, so there is no arrest tag?
11	THE COURT: Yes.
12	THE WITNESS: Yeah, if it's just a parole search and
13	you stopped this person, that would be the only documentation
14	you would use.
15	THE COURT: And would that would it reflect on
16	would you reflect on such a card that a parole search was done?
17	THE WITNESS: Yes. Yes, ma'am.
18	THE COURT: I do want to ask you a couple of other
19	questions.
20	Maybe what we can do is just, given the time, we can
21	break for lunch rather than to break and then break again; is
22	that agreeable?
23	MR. HADDAD: Yes.
24	MR. BOLEY: Fine, Your Honor.
25	THE COURT: Okay.

You mentioned about probation and parole searches; 1 2 do you understand that there is a difference between a 3 probation search and a parole search? 4 Well, I guess, of course, there is a THE WITNESS: 5 difference, but they are -- to my knowledge, they are very 6 closely tied together. When -- when I say that, if a person is 7 on probation with a search condition, that -- their end result 8 of the search is very similar to that of parole. 9 THE COURT: Is the nature of the search that can be conducted the same as if someone is on parole? 10 11 THE WITNESS: To my knowledge, yes. THE COURT: Are there probation grants that do not 12 13 have a search condition? THE WITNESS: There is. There is different levels 14 15 of probation. If I may expand for a minute? 16 There is -- a person may have a search condition, 17 which is referred to maybe as an S7 in the Court system or 18 referred to as a four-way search condition. That would mean --19 and generally when they say four-way, it's their person, their 20 vehicle, their residence, and there was one other thing, I 21 can't remember. 22 Or property under their control. THE COURT: 23 Yeah, thank you. THE WITNESS: 24 So it would be versus some other search conditions 25 that are maybe like an S3, for instance, which is just maybe a

person's search and their vehicle but not their residence. 1 So 2 there is different degrees of what you can and can't do. And 3 it's specified by the Court. 4 THE COURT: And so how do you determine that when 5 you stop somebody who is on probation? 6 THE WITNESS: IJm. 7 THE COURT: How do you determine what type of search 8 condition they have? 9 It will actually say. When you --THE WITNESS: first of all, they can, of course, say that they are. And 10 11 generally they do know what their search conditions are. 12 Or, you could run them out on the computer. A lot 13 of us have computers in the cars, or call in dispatch, and 14 they'll say. 15 When you run a person out, or you conduct a file 16 check of a person through a computer or dispatch, it actually 17 goes and talks about this person. It gives the person's name, where they live. And it gives a description of what their 18 19 search condition is. A lot of times says S7, or a four-way 20 search condition. 21 THE COURT: And you were asked earlier about stopping persons and asking if they were on parole or 22 23 probation; if you are walking down the street, can you just 24 walk up to somebody and ask him if he is on probation or

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parole?

1 THE WITNESS: Yes. 2 THE COURT: Anybody, without any reason whatsoever 3 other than the fact that they looked at you crossways, or 4 something? 5 THE WITNESS: Yeah, I would say you can ask. mean --6 7 THE COURT: Okay. Anything further right now? 8 9 MR. HADDAD: I could ask a couple of follow-up 10 questions about the contact cards. 11 THE COURT: And then we will break for lunch. BY MR. HADDAD: 12 13 I believe you mentioned for a parole search, the only 14 documentation you would do would be a field contact card; is 15 that correct? 16 A. For a parole search on a document -- um, I think that's 17 kind of the -- I think I said it's like the minimal amount of paperwork you would do. 18 19 You would still be required to do a stop data form in 20 addition, correct? 21 Someone would have to, yes. 22 Q. All right. 23 Do you make sure that someone involved in every stop 24 you are involved in does a stop data form? 25 I probably should. Do I go and ask each person if they did A.

- 1 it? No, I don't.
- 2 Q. How often --
- 3 A. Sometimes I do, but I don't think I can say 100 percent
- 4 | that I ask that question every time.
- 5 Q. In the course of a normal day, when you were working with
- 6 Unit 6, how many people would you stop?
- 7 A. I don't know. It just depends on -- it just depends.
- 8 **0.** Okay.
- 9 How often would you personally fill out a stop data
- 10 form?
- 11 **A.** I would try to fill one out after every stop.
- 12 Q. After you fill out the field contact cards, what do you do
- 13 with them?
- 14 | A. Um, there is a report writing receptacle, which is
- 15 | basically a wooden box. One is at Eastmont -- or actually, I'm
- 16 | sorry -- there is a cardboard box at Eastmont. There is
- 17 | actually a wood receptacle at the Police Department at 7th and
- 18 Broadway, and you turn it in there.
- 19 **Q.** Okay.
- 20 Is that the appropriate place that you have been
- 21 | trained where you should deposit completed field contact cards?
- 22 | A. Yes.
- 23 | Q. And what is your understanding of what happens to those
- 24 | field contact cards after you leave them in the box?
- 25 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Lack of foundation.

1 THE COURT: What his understanding is. 2 Objection is overruled. Eventually, someone comes down to 3 THE WITNESS: 4 either Eastmont or the Police Department at 7th and Broadway, 5 picks up all the reports, including field contact reports, and 6 somehow I don't know, but documents it somewhere. BY MR. HADDAD: 7 8 Okay. 9 THE COURT: You are saying Eastmont, the substation there? 10 11 Yes, ma'am, 73rd Avenue, right about THE WITNESS: 12 Bancroft. 13 MR. HADDAD: That's all I have right now. 14 THE COURT: And then what do you do -- what do you 15 actually do with the stop data forms? Where do they go? 16 THE WITNESS: It's changed over the years. At 17 times, you ended up just turning them into the box. The same box where you put the cards or 18 THE COURT: 19 the --20 THE WITNESS: Correct. 21 THE COURT: Arrest reports? I think over time, you then maybe had 22 THE WITNESS: to turn them into a supervisor. I don't know what point it was 23 24 during the time frame --25 THE COURT: Well, during that period of time

1 involved in the case, we're talking about 2005, ed Sec, were 2 you working with a partner? THE WITNESS: Yeah, from -- probably about 3 4 99 percent of the time I was. 5 THE COURT: So the two of you were traveling in the 6 vehicle together, correct? 7 THE WITNESS: Yes, ma'am. THE COURT: Did you have some understanding about 8 9 the responsibilities for filling out, for example, the detention -- the cards that were used, detention cards? 10 11 THE WITNESS: Right. THE COURT: Who did that? 12 13 THE WITNESS: We would just take turns. 14 THE COURT: And did -- was that just understood, you 15 know, that you knew that day who was going to be doing it, or 16 did you just turn to each other and say, you going to fill this 17 one out or I'll fill this one out? THE WITNESS: Right, it was more of the latter. 18 19 THE COURT: Um-hmm. 20 Or, you know, maybe another car was THE WITNESS: 21 there with two other people as well; you know, they would -you know, we would talk, hey, who is doing this, who is writing 22 23 this or doing this, documenting it. 24 THE COURT: And who took the responsibility, then, 25 for the filling out the stop data forms?

1	THE WITNESS: It would just be just whoever decided
2	they were going to do it at that point.
3	THE COURT: But did you have some way of checking to
4	make sure that if you didn't do it somebody else did it?
5	THE WITNESS: Generally, they would just say, hey,
6	I'll do it. Or a lot of the times, I don't know, you just I
7	don't know, I want to say I assume that they did it, but you
8	are seeing I guess you believe they did it.
9	THE COURT: In your unit, do you have a rough
10	approximation of what percentage of the time those stop data
11	collection forms were filled out?
12	THE WITNESS: I know we tried to do it after
13	everyone, ma'am.
14	THE COURT: Okay.
15	Anything further?
16	MR. HADDAD: No.
17	THE COURT: What is that, now, almost quarter to.
18	We'll see you at 12:30 then, okay?
19	MR. BOLEY: Thank you, Your Honor.
20	THE COURT: Okay, thank you.
21	You may step down. Do not discuss your testimony
22	with any other persons who may be witnesses until the
23	proceeding is over.
24	And we'll see you after the break. Thank you.
25	(Recess taken at 11:41 a.m.)

Vass - Cross / Haddad 1 (Proceedings resumed at 12:45 p.m.) 2 THE COURT: You may continue. 3 MR. HADDAD: Thank you. BY MR. HADDAD: 4 5 Officer Vass, the cell phones that you mentioned this 6 morning that you used on duty sometimes, were those provided to 7 you by the Oakland Police Department? 8 There was a time -- there was a time that cell phones were 9 At this time I don't know, but there was a period of provided. 10 time for several years that I had a cell phone. I don't know 11 if it was this time or not. And when you had the cell phones, they were also paid for 12 13 by the Oakland Police Department; is that right? 14 Yes, they were. A . 15 By that, I mean the phone bills, right? 16 I never observed them paying the phone bill.

- 17 imagine that would be the case.
- You didn't pay them, did you? 18
- 19 No, I did not.
- 20 Do you know who Michael Holmes is?
- 21 I do. A.
- Where have you usually seen him? 22
- 23 Um, well, he would be on C Street, 9500 block of C Street.
- 24 Seen him in his vehicle, 109th and Mac, MacArthur several
- 25 Those are the usual places I've seen him. times.

- 1 **Q.** Okay.
- 2 And how long have you known him, or known of him?
- 3 | A. It's been quite a while, maybe 2005, somewhere around
- 4 there.
- 5 **Q.** Could it have been earlier?
- 6 A. You know, it could have been. I really don't have an exact
- 7 | time frame of when I recall seeing him.
- 8 **Q.** Okay.
- 9 You understand that he lives in his grandmother's
- 10 house at 9504 C Street, don't you?
- 11 | A. I don't know if the word "lives" -- I think he stays there
- 12 quite a bit, and that's probably the best answer.
- 13 Q. All right.
- 14 And that's right on your beat, isn't it?
- 15 A. In my area it is.
- 16 **Q.** Okay.
- 17 I understand that you have arrested Mr. Holmes on
- 18 one occasion; is that correct?
- 19 A. I don't think that's -- no.
- 20 **Q.** You think you have arrested him more times?
- 21 | A. I'm probably going to need you to clarify when you say
- 22 | "arrest." But the two times that I personally was on scene
- 23 | where I actually took him into custody is the two times that I
- 24 can think of.
- 25 **Q.** So you are trained in the term arrest, aren't you?

- 1 **A.** I am.
- 2 Q. You know what that -- you know what an arrest is, don't
- 3 you?
- 4 **A.** I do.
- 5 | Q. All right, so that's the question: How many times have you
- 6 | arrested Mr. Holmes?
- 7 A. That's why I tried to clarify, because it's kind of vague
- 8 | for what you say, because I actually wrote a search warrant for
- 9 his house. I wasn't on scene, but he was arrested. I somewhat
- 10 directed that arrest, but I really didn't participate in it.
- 11 So I'm not quite sure if that is what you are referring to.
- 12 **Q.** So you weren't there when he was arrested, physically,
- 13 correct?
- 14 | A. For that particular time, no. Two physical times I
- 15 | actually was on scene I arrested him.
- 16 Q. All right.
- Now, have you had a chance to review the Internal
- 18 | Affairs files for the complaints made in this matter by
- 19 Mr. Holmes, Engram and Rix?
- 20 | A. I have read some of them.
- 21 **Q.** Okay.
- 22 **A.** Not thoroughly, but I have read some of them.
- 23 | Q. And I mention all three together because it's accurate,
- 24 | isn't it, that Internal Affairs investigated all their
- 25 | complaints in one investigation?

- 1 A. Um, I did separate interviews. I don't know if they
- 2 | lumped -- if they placed them all together, or how they
- 3 | actually did it.
- 4 Q. All right.

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Now are you aware that the plaintiffs have only

been -- produced one arrest report for one time when you have

- 7 arrested Mr. Holmes in this action?
- 8 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Lack of foundation.
- 9 THE COURT: Objection is overruled. The question is
- 10 | what he is aware of.
- 11 THE WITNESS: I don't know what you provided me.
- 12 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 13 **Q.** Have you recently seen two separate arrest reports for
- 14 | times that you have arrested Mr. Holmes?
- 15 **A.** Um, I did.
- 16 **Q.** And to the best of your recollection, what are the dates of
- 17 those?
- 18 | A. Um, in '06, there is a arrest report that, of course, I
- 19 | made for the 107 Pontiac arrest for the possession of base
- 20 | cocaine for sale.
- I was able to find that there was a warrant arrest
- 22 | for Michael Holmes, I want to say in the 9500 block of C
- 23 | Street. And I want to say the warrant was for driving on a
- 24 | suspended license. And it might have also been something else,
- 25 but it was for driving kind of offenses.

- 1 Q. When was that?
- 2 A. I believe it was in '05.
- 3 **Q.** Do you know the month?
- 4 A. Not off the top of my head. I could find out, but not off
- 5 the top of my head.
- 6 **Q.** Okay.
- 7 | A. It was something I just recently came across.
- 8 Q. How did you come across it?
- 9 A. I started trying to actually look for times that I have
- 10 | contacted Mr. Holmes and documented it.
- 11 Q. When did you do that?
- 12 A. Last week.
- 13 **o.** Last week?
- 14 | A. Um-hmm. I mean, it was over a period of time, but I just
- 15 happened to find this the other day.
- 16 **Q.** Okay.
- 17 **A.** Maybe somewhere around that time frame.
- 18 **Q.** Okay.
- 19 And in the course of this case, you recall
- 20 responding to some discovery requests that asked you to produce
- 21 | all documentation of any sort regarding any contacts, detention
- 22 or stops you made of any of these three plaintiffs, Holmes,
- 23 | Engram, and Rix?
- 24 | A. I know in the deposition you spoke about it, I didn't know
- 25 | it at that time. But it did jog my memory, though; you asked

- 1 me about a warrant, have I arrested him for a warrant, and I 2 said it's possible. I believe this was probably what coincides with 3 4 that, so I didn't think there was so much a discovery issue. 5 You asked me already about this question. 6 Q. Have you found any other documentation for any contacts 7 with any of these three plaintiffs since you've looked further? MR. BOLEY: Objection, other? Objection. Vague as 8 to "other documentation." 9 THE COURT: Referring to other --10 11 BY MR. HADDAD: 12 Beyond what you knew at the time. 13 THE COURT: Other of his contacts, or talking about other officers' contacts? 14 15 MR. HADDAD: I'll rephrase it. 16 THE COURT: Okay. 17 BY MR. HADDAD: 18 Q. Have you found any other documentation for any other 19 contacts you had with Holmes, Engram, or Rix, other than what
- 20 you already knew about by the time of your deposition?
- 21 A. I'm trying to think. I think we kind -- I know we discussed it. I believe, at least.
- The surveillance of Mark Engram, I believe we discussed that, and I think you already have that police report, so that could be possibly one.

- 1 Q. When was that?
- 2 | A. February -- was it -- February '05, I believe. I think you
- 3 | talked to me about the date, I just don't know if you had --
- 4 anyways.
- 5 | Q. Did you have contact with Mr. Engram in February of '05?
- 6 A. That day, I was doing a surveillance on him.
- 7 | Q. So what does that entail? What did that entail?
- 8 A. You are going to have to be more specific.
- 9 Q. Were you just looking at him, or did you talk to him?
- 10 A. Oh. I did not talk to him, I just observed him -- arrested
- 11 | him after he sold narcotics. But I think you guys, to my
- 12 knowledge, you were already aware of that.
- 13 | Q. But you didn't have any contact with him personally on that
- 14 date?
- 15 A. No personal contact, no.
- 16 **Q.** So other than what you have just told me about now, there
- 17 | is no other documentation that you discovered more recently
- 18 | since your deposition concerning your personal contacts with
- 19 | any of these three plaintiffs?
- 20 A. I don't believe so.
- 21 Q. That's correct, isn't it?
- 22 **A.** That's what I'm saying, I don't believe so.
- 23 Q. All right.
- 24 Now, so you have arrested Mr. Holmes on two
- 25 | occasions; is that right?

- 1 | A. Well, I think I have -- I think I've always been upfront
- 2 | that I think there was a possible warrant arrest. So --
- 3 | Q. Okay. But the question is, is it accurate that you have
- 4 | arrested Michael Holmes on two occasions?
- 5 **A.** Yes.

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- 6 Q. And you also detained him several times, correct?
- 7 A. That's -- yes, I have.
- 8 Q. How many? How many times?
 - MR. BOLEY: Objection. Relevance, Your Honor.
- 10 **THE COURT:** Objection overruled.
- 11 MR. BOLEY: And vague as to time.
- 12 **THE COURT:** Objection overruled.
- 13 **THE WITNESS:** Um, there was those two. Of course,
- 14 | there was the one on International, that field contact report
- 15 was made on.
- 16 There was a stop at 109th Avenue and MacArthur, and
- 17 | I remember doing a probation search for Mr. Holmes at 9504 C
- 18 | Street, his residence quite a while ago.
- 19 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 20 **Q.** Um-hmm.
- In the past, you have given the estimate that you
- 22 detained him probably more than five times; is that accurate?
- 23 | A. Well, I think I'm close to five right there, so I think,
- 24 you know, probably somewhere around five. I mean, fairly an
- 25 accurate number.

- And you understand that a detention is different than an 1 Q. 2 arrest, right? 3 It is different, yeah. 4 All right. 5 So you got two arrests and probably more than five detentions, is that right, of Mr. Holmes? 6 We, I honestly was probably using the more broad term of 7 8 his being stopped, detained by the police at the time when you 9 asked me that question. I don't honestly know if I physically broke it down. 10 11 All right. 12 Would you please turn to page 33 of your deposition. 13 Okay. A.14 Page 33? 15 Yes. 16 All right, sir. From line 5 to 16. 17 Q. 18 Five through 16?
- 19 **Q.** Um-hmm.
- 20 Page 33.
- 21 "Q. Have you ever arrested him on any
- 22 other occasions?
- 23 "A. I may have.
- 24 "Q. Have you detained him on any
- other occasions?

1	"A. Yeah.
2	"Q. Do you have a sense of about how
3	many times you have detained Michael
4	Holmes?
5	"A. No.
6	"Q. Would you say it's more than ten?
7	"A. I don't know.
8	"Q. Would you say it's more than
9	five?
10	"A. I'd say probably more than five."
11	Did I read that correctly?
12	A. It does sound like you read it correctly. To be honest, I
13	wasn't able to follow along, but it sounds like that's fairly
14	accurate.
15	$oldsymbol{\mathcal{Q}_{ullet}}$ Now, so in the more than five times that you have detained
16	Michael Holmes, how many field contact cards have you seen to
17	document those five-plus detentions?
18	A. When you say that I've seen, that I personally filled out,
19	or that I was able to go back and confirm that they are there?
20	Q. Yeah, that you've confirmed are there.
21	A. Um, none. I don't think I've managed to find any.
22	Q. All right.
23	And just to jog your memory, we did look at one this
24	morning
25	A. Oh, I'm sorry.

- 1 | Q. -- from the Yukon incident. That was at Exhibit 6, do you
- 2 recall that?
- 3 A. Yes, that would be one.
- 4 | Q. So there is one that you are aware of at this time; is that
- 5 right?
- 6 A. Now that you point that out, you're right, there is one.
- 7 | Q. Do you know who Mark Engram is?
- 8 | **A.** Yes, sir, I do.
- 9 Q. And how long have you known him?
- 10 A. Maybe around -- well, probably a little bit longer because
- 11 I remember not having any real direct contact with him, but I
- 12 remember him being arrested there on E Street, same general
- 13 | area, by two other officers.
- And so, I remember somewhat driving by to -- just
- 15 seeing who they arrested but not really having any direct
- 16 | contact with the investigation, itself.
- 17 **Q.** But the question was, how long have you known him?
- 18 **A.** That would be, I quess, the time from when I started to
- 19 know him.
- 20 **Q.** When was that?
- 21 **A.** I believe that arrest maybe occurred in '04.
- 22 Q. All right.
- 23 Where have you usually seen Mark Engram?
- 24 A. On C Street.
- 25 Q. And that is in the area where you were assigned with Team

- 6? 1 2 When I say C, I'm sorry, the 9500 block area. 3 You have detained Mark Engram several times? 4 I have. A.5 How many times? Q. 6 I don't have an exact number. Probably possibly more than 7 five. 8 Q. Okay. 9 Could be ten times, right? \boldsymbol{A} . It could be. 10 11 I -- like I said, I don't recall. I don't have a specific number. 12 13 And how many -- you've searched -- strike that. You've searched Mr. Engram even more times than you 14 15 have detained him; is that right? 16 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Relevance. 17 THE COURT: You may answer. 18 Overruled. 19 You said that I've searched him more THE WITNESS: 20 times than I've detained him? 21 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 25 A. I don't believe so.

Let me rephrase it.

Yeah.

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You've searched Mark Engram more than ten times,

1 Q. Would you turn to page 73 of your deposition, please. 2 THE COURT: Which one? 3 MR. HADDAD: Seventy-three. 4 THE COURT: 73? 5 BY MR. HADDAD: 6 Page 73, at the bottom. 7 When -- you say 73, correct? 8 If you go to the next page you'll see a little 73 in 9 the upper right side -- yeah, that is 73, but we are going to 10 be on the previous page. 11 Okay. A. Lines 10 to 16, starting with "On the times that you've 12 13 detained." 14 Line 10 through 16? 15 Yeah. 16 Ready? 17 A.Yes, I am. 18 MR. HADDAD: 19 On the times that you've 20 detained" --21 MR. BOLEY: Your Honor, I object. It's not 22 inconsistent. It's not impeachable, so I object to it being 23 read into the record. 24 Well, it's an admission of a party MR. HADDAD: 25 opponent, no matter what, so there should be no objection of it

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1	being read into the record.
2	THE COURT: He testified to the number of times.
3	It's not inconsistent.
4	MR. HADDAD: That's right. I actually misread it.
5	THE COURT: Yeah, okay.
6	BY MR. HADDAD:
7	Q. Have you handcuffed Mark Engram every time that you have
8	searched him?
9	A. I don't believe so, no.
10	$oldsymbol{\mathcal{Q}_{ullet}}$ Sometimes you have searched Mr. Engram without handcuffing
11	him first; is that right?
12	A. Yeah.
13	$oldsymbol{\mathcal{Q}_{oldsymbol{\cdot}}}$ Is that consistent with your training and experience as a
14	member of the Oakland Police Department?
15	A. To my training and experience?
16	Q. To search somebody without handcuffing them first.
17	A. Yes.
18	$oldsymbol{\mathcal{Q}_{oldsymbol{\cdot}}}$ In this case, have you seen any documentation for any of
19	your stops of Mr. Engram?
20	MR. BOLEY: Asked and answered.
21	THE COURT: Was that your objection?
22	MR. BOLEY: Yes.
23	THE COURT: Couldn't tell where it came from.
24	(Laughter.)
25	MR. BURRIS: It wasn't mine, I can assure you.

- 1 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 2 **THE WITNESS:** I don't believe so.
- 3 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 4 | Q. Have you looked?
- 5 A. I actually did somewhat look. I did.
- 6 **Q.** Okay.
- 7 And you couldn't find any documentation for any of
- 8 | your stops of Mr. Engram, correct?
- 9 A. That's true.
- 10 **THE COURT:** Did you say "that's true"?
- 11 THE WITNESS: Yes, ma'am, I did.
- 12 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 13 Q. Do you know who Richard Rix is?
- 14 | A. I do.
- 15 Q. How long have you known him?
- 16 A. Probably since 2003.
- 17 | Q. And where have you usually seen him?
- 18 | A. 9200 block of C Street, just a little west of the location.
- 19 Q. Have you ever arrested Richard Rix?
- 20 A. I don't believe so.
- 21 | Q. And as far as you know, he does not have any conviction
- 22 involving drug dealing, does he?
- 23 A. Not drug dealing, no.
- 24 Q. You also detained Mr. Rix several times, haven't you?
- 25 A. I believe I have.

- 1 | Q. And you have detained him approximately five times; is that
- 2 right?
- 3 A. I don't know if I would say that. I'd say it's possible,
- 4 but I don't -- I think that's always been kind of my answer,
- 5 it's possible.
- 6 Q. Possibly five times?
- 7 A. That it's possible five times, yes.
- 8 Q. In this case, have you seen any documentation for any of
- 9 your detentions of Mr. Rix?
- 10 **A.** No.
- 11 Q. If there were documentation for every time that you
- 12 detained Mr. Rix, you would know exactly how many times you
- 13 detained him. Is that accurate?
- 14 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Argumentative, Your Honor.
- 15 **THE COURT:** Objection is overruled.
- 16 THE WITNESS: I would say most likely, yes.
- 17 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 18 | Q. Have you looked for documentation of your stops of Mr. Rix
- 19 | over the years?
- 20 A. Um, I believe I did.
- 21 **Q.** Okay.
- Now, collectively, you have stopped these three
- 23 | plaintiffs, Holmes, Engram and Rix, on about 20 occasions; is
- 24 | that right?
- 25 **A.** You are saying collectively? I mean, I -- it's possible.

- 1 You would have to -- I don't know.
- 2 Q. Have you ever seen any stop data forms for any stop or
- 3 arrests you have ever made of either Holmes, Engram or Rix?
- 4 **A.** I don't --
- 5 MR. BOLEY: Lacks foundation, Your Honor.
- 6 THE COURT: Objection is overruled.
- 7 THE WITNESS: I don't have access to that.
- 8 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 9 **Q.** Have you seen them?
- 10 | A. Like I said, I don't even have access to be able to see
- 11 them.
- 12 **Q.** Have you seen them? Have you seen any?
- 13 A. Whether I answer this, are you saying seeing them as far as
- 14 | me filling them out, or seeing them on the other end?
- 15 Q. On the other end.
- 16 A. I don't have access to them.
- 17 | Q. Have you looked for them?
- 18 | A. Like I said, I do not have access to that.
- 19 | Q. You testified that up to a week ago, you were looking for
- 20 documentation of -- of your contact with any of these three
- 21 guys, were you looking for stop data forms as well?
- 22 **A.** I didn't even think to look for that.
- 23 | THE COURT: Does that mean you weren't looking for
- 24 them?
- 25 THE WITNESS: Your Honor, I did not look for them.

1 But just can I add something to that? BY MR. HADDAD: 2 3 There is a question coming now. No. 4 Have you ever found any contraband in the pants of 5 either Michael Holmes, Mr. Engram or Richard Rix at any time? 6 A. No. 7 Do you have any explanation for your department's lack of 8 documentation for all of the times that you have admitted 9 stopping Holmes, Engram or Rix? MR. BOLEY: Objection. Lack of foundation and 10 11 argumentative. The objection is overruled. 12 THE COURT: The 13 question is whether he has any explanation. 14 THE WITNESS: You know, I do not. I can say, 15 though, I don't necessarily know how stop data forms are 16 collected, but it -- they don't really have any information 17 other than date and -- date, time and location. That doesn't say who it was. But like I said, I don't have access to that. 18 19 BY MR. HADDAD: 20 Q. Uh-huh. Let's turn to Plaintiff's Exhibit 16. I'll bring 21 you the book again. And I would like to specifically direct 22 23 your attention to the last page of that exhibit. 24 Are you with me? 25 A. I am.

- 1 Q. I'm going to put this one on the ELMO.
- 2 MR. HADDAD: It's already in evidence.
- 3 **THE WITNESS:** Okay.
- 4 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 5 Q. This is an example of a stop data form, isn't it?
- 6 A. That is correct.
- 7 | Q. And actually, this form has spaces for a lot of different
- 8 types of information, doesn't it?
- 9 A. You are right.
- 10 Q. This form includes the driver's license number of the
- 11 person stopped, doesn't it?
- 12 A. It does.
- 13 Q. And the license plate number of any car that they are in,
- 14 correct?
- 15 A. That's true.
- 16 **Q.** Of course, it includes the reason for the stop, doesn't it?
- 17 A. It does.
- 18 | Q. It includes whether or not a search was done, right?
- 19 **A.** It does.
- 20 **Q.** And the legal basis for the search. See that?
- 21 **A.** Yes.
- 22 | Q. It allows you to break down who within a car of multiple
- 23 | people was searched, right?
- 24 A. It does.
- 25 | Q. And it also asks you to check a circle answering the

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     question, "have you or do you have knowledge that another
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     officer stopped this person within the past six months?"
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     you see that up here?
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         Yes.
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         This is all information that's collected by your
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     department --
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         It is.
     A.
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                            Objection. Lacks foundation.
                MR. BOLEY:
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                            That wasn't really a question.
                THE COURT:
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                Do you have a question.
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                MR. HADDAD: Didn't get a chance to finish it
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     actually.
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                THE COURT: Okay. It's more of a statement.
     BY MR. HADDAD:
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         Isn't it?
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                         (Laughter.)
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                MR. BOLEY: Objection.
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                         (Laughter.)
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                MR. BOLEY: Objection. Lack of foundation, Your
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     Honor, as to "collecting."
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                THE COURT: He may answer the question.
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                              Right, no, it does.
                THE WITNESS:
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                THE COURT: I assume that's not Sacramento or
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     Richmond or something else. He's an officer, been an officer
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     for ten years. He's collecting information for his department.
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1	Is that correct?
2	THE WITNESS: Correct.
3	THE COURT: Yeah, okay.
4	BY MR. HADDAD:
5	$oldsymbol{\mathcal{Q}}_{oldsymbol{\cdot}}$ Have you heard anyone in your department is losing contact
6	field reports or arrest reports or failing to keep track of
7	them?
8	MR. BOLEY: Objection. Relevance. Lack of
9	foundation.
10	THE COURT: Objection sustained.
11	THE WITNESS: I can
12	THE COURT: You don't have to answer that.
13	BY MR. HADDAD:
14	$oldsymbol{\mathcal{Q}_{oldsymbol{\cdot}}}$ I would like to ask you about an incident now that has been
15	alleged at C Street and 98th on or about September 22nd, 2005.
16	THE COURT: For my information, I certainly know the
17	numbered streets, but where are C Street, B Street, et cetera,
18	in the City of Oakland?
19	THE WITNESS: If you go 580, let's say.
20	THE COURT: Yes?
21	THE WITNESS: And you go down 98th Avenue.
22	THE COURT: Yes?
23	THE WITNESS: Towards, let's say the airport
24	THE COURT: Yes?
25	THE WITNESS: It's going to be that direction. It's

going to be MacArthur, Bancroft, International, or East 14th 1 Street. And then below International, that is where the 2 3 lettered streets would stop. So it would be International, A, 4 Street, C Street, D Street. So right below International. 5 THE COURT: I see. Thank you. BY MR. HADDAD: 6 7 So they start between International and the water? 8 If you are looking at a true map, yes. 9 Q. Okay. Now, to orient you to the first incident I want to 10 11 ask you about, specifically, this is the one that's been alleged at C and 98th on or about September 22nd, 2005. Are 12 13 you familiar with that allegation? Objection. Actually misstates that 14 MR. BOLEY: 15 allegation, but -- in the complaint, but you -- I'm just making 16 that objection. 17 THE COURT: Do you have a specific date? MR. HADDAD: On or about September 22nd, 2005. 18 19 THE COURT: So, on or about, but is it, in fact, 20 September 22nd; is that correct? 21 MR. HADDAD: Well, I would like to ask the officer, and we'll determine that. 22 23 THE COURT: Okay, fine, then ask him. 24 BY MR. HADDAD: 25 Have you reviewed the Internal Affairs investigation for

- 1 | the plaintiffs' complaints about this particular date and
- 2 location?
- 3 A. I did one. I don't recall thoroughly looking at them all,
- 4 but I did read the one.
- 5 Q. All right.
- 6 So you are aware of the allegation by Mr. Holmes and
- 7 Mr. Engram, aren't you, that you strip searched each of them
- 8 near the side of a house in the area of C Street and 98th
- 9 Avenue on or about September 22nd, 2005; is that right?
- 10 A. That is correct, with the time that Mr. Engram said it
- 11 | happened, I think for an hour, from like 9:10 to 10:10, I think
- 12 | more specifically on the 22nd, because I recall he said that he
- 13 looked on the cell phone to get the correct time.
- 14 | Q. You recall Mr. Holmes and Mr. Engram say that you stopped
- 15 them while they were with Mr. Rix in the morning as they were
- 16 | walking their dogs, don't you?
- 17 A. That's what they claim, yes.
- 18 | Q. And you have seen Mr. Engram with a dog before, haven't
- 19 you?
- 20 | A. I've seen Mr. Engram with a dog in what is -- the 10th of
- 21 | February '05 is when I saw them with the dog.
- 22 | Q. So you saw him with a dog, to your recollection, about
- 23 | seven or eight months before this incident?
- 24 **A.** Before they claim that incident occurred, yes.
- 25 Q. Did you strip-search Mr. Holmes or Mr. Engram in this

- 1 incident?
- 2 **A.** No, because I was not even at work.
- 3 **Q.** Okay.
- 4 Bear with me on these questions, if you will.
- 5 Did you reach inside Mr. Holmes sweatpants and run
- 6 | your hand between Mr. Holmes' buttocks over Mr. Holmes boxer
- 7 shorts?
- 8 A. My answer is going to be the same.
- 9 **Q.** Okay.
- 10 | A. I can prove that I wasn't at work at that particular time.
- 11 I didn't start work at that time.
- 12 **Q.** Okay.
- So it's your testimony that you weren't even working
- 14 | at that time; is that right?
- 15 **A.** That's true.
- 16 You know, I actually contacted my bank, which is
- 17 | Wells Fargo --
- 18 **0.** Um-hmm?
- 19 A. -- talked to the bank investigator. And I asked, because,
- 20 of course, going back to '05, I couldn't actually have a
- 21 | specific recollection on this date what did I do. So I spoke
- 22 to the bank investigator, asked him, hey, is there any chance
- 23 | that I maybe used any of my ATM or credit cards during this
- 24 | time. They said, yes, I used my -- just so you know, mine and
- 25 my wife's credit cards is different. You were provided with a

- copy of that so I can prove that we don't have the same credit cards, so if -- so these times are going to be different from my wife and mine.
- So I was able to prove that I went to Wells Fargo

 and I used an ATM, and -- that, of course, just due to the

 time, they don't have video surveillance anymore. They stopped

 having that surveillance I think back in '06.
 - But I used my credit card at the ATM, and then I used it at two other locations outside of Oakland during the times that this occurred, which also matched my time sheet that started at 2:00 o'clock that afternoon. So I don't quite know what to say in regards to that.
- 13 | Q. I'd like to ask you some more about it.
- 14 **A.** Okay.

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- 15 | Q. So in the orange book -- let me help give you some room.
- 16 (Assisting witness with exhibit binders.)
- 17 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 18 Q. Would you turn to page 4644, please, of Exhibit 5.
- 19 **A.** Are you referring to me?
- 20 **Q.** Yes.
- 21 **A.** Turn to what page?
- 22 **Q.** 4644.
- 23 A. I see a page 44, but I don't see a page 46, per se. Is
- 24 | that what you are referring to?
- 25 (Assisting witness with exhibits.)

1 THE WITNESS: Thank you. BY MR. HADDAD: 2 3 Now, would you take a look at this page and the next five 4 pages after it. 5 Okay. A . 6 In fact, through page 4653. 7 What do these pages appear to be? 8 Um, an incident generated by an Oakland Police Department 9 dispatch. They appear to be CAD logs for September 22nd, 2005, 10 11 pertaining to you; is that right? Lack of foundation. 12 MR. BOLEY: Objection. 13 THE COURT: The objection is overruled. 14 THE WITNESS: It would appear so, yes. 15 BY MR. HADDAD: 16 Q. All right. 17 Now, going to the first page that I asked you to look at, which is 4644 --18 19 Um-hmm. 20 Do you see that it refers to a unit with a number? 21 A. Yes. 22 That's 20A62? 23 A. Yes. 24 Is that your unit? 25 A . At that time, yes.

- 1 Q. All right.
- 2 And then it says "agency OP," that's Oakland Police,
- 3 right?
- 4 **A.** Um-hmm.
- 5 **Q.** Yes?
- 6 A. Yes, it was.
- 7 Q. Next, it has the date, September 22nd, 2005?
- 8 **A.** Yes.
- 9 Q. Next, it has the time, which would be 3:19 in the
- 10 afternoon?
- 11 A. That's correct.
- 12 Q. And next it says "unit on, vehicle 1923," right?
- 13 **A.** Yes.
- 14 Q. What does that mean?
- 15 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Lack of foundation.
- 16 **THE COURT:** The objection is overruled.
- 17 THE WITNESS: What time I started work, if you will,
- 18 | through dispatch.
- 19 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 20 **Q.** So this --
- 21 | A. And I logged on with that vehicle number. I'm working with
- 22 vehicle 1923.
- 23 Q. Oh, so are you saying that this record indicates that you
- 24 | were in car 1923 on that day?
- 25 A. At this time, I would say yes.

- 1 Q. And this record indicates that you didn't start work that
- 2 day until about 3:19 in the afternoon?
- 3 A. Well, that's what that CAD record would show, yes. And --
- 4 Q. Now, does this CAD record show some of the work that you
- 5 | did throughout that day?
- 6 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Lack of foundation.
- 7 THE COURT: Are you referring to all of the pages?
- 8 MR. HADDAD: Yeah.
- 9 THE COURT: You may answer the question.
- 10 **THE WITNESS:** It appears so.
- 11 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 12 | Q. All right.
- So what's the next entry that you understand that
- 14 describes some work that you did?
- 15 **A.** Well, there is another entry here at, what, 729,
- 16 | technically says 1929, and it says "incident initiated." I
- 17 don't know what that is but, of course, that's a reference that
- 18 | apparently I did something at that time.
- 19 **Q.** Okay.
- 20 **A.** Um, and then if you look down at the same time on the next
- 21 | page, it shows me in the 1500 block of 35th Avenue.
- 22 Are you with me?
- 23 Q. Yeah, I'm with you.
- 24 And on that page, which is 4646, under "SDAT," there
- 25 | is some codes. What does "OV" mean?

1 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Lack of foundation. 2 BY MR. HADDAD: 3 If you know. 4 THE COURT: You may answer. 5 THE WITNESS: On-view arrest. 6 BY MR. HADDAD: 7 On-view arrest? 8 What does "EU" mean, if you know? 9 I don't know. What does "AV" mean, if you know? 10 11 Which one do you want answered first? THE COURT: MR. HADDAD: He said he didn't know. 12 13 THE COURT: Okay. MR. BURRIS: I didn't hear that. 14 15 THE COURT: I didn't hear that, either. 16 THE WITNESS: You know, those are -- at some point 17 we started where -- in the police vehicles we started using those codes. I'm not familiar with those codes. And I would 18 19 imagine that at that time frame dispatch was placing those 20 codes in. BY MR. HADDAD: 21 22 Okay. 23 Do any of these pages of CAD records show when you 24 got off duty that day? 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. Which page?
- 2 **A.** 4652.
- 3 | Q. Thank you. And how can you tell when you got off duty?
- 4 A. Because on the very last line --
- 5 **Q.** Yeah?
- 6 **A.** At 9/22/05, 2354 hours, it says "unit off."
- 7 **Q.** So unit off means you are going off duty?
- 8 A. I didn't type that in, I mean, but to the right of my name
- 9 | it says -- or to the right of that is my name.
- 10 Q. But your understanding of how these CAD forms work, unit
- 11 off means that you are going off duty; is that right?
- 12 **A.** I would imagine so.
- 13 **Q.** Is that your understanding?
- 14 A. That would -- that would be my understanding, yes.
- 15 | Q. So it's your testimony that because you weren't working on
- 16 | the morning of September 22nd, 2005, it would not have been
- 17 possible for you to strip-search Holmes and Engram on that
- 18 | morning; is that right?
- 19 A. Well, it's an interesting question, because if I'm not at
- 20 work, I'm not strip searching him. I'm not coming in to
- 21 strip-search from my house.
- I'm not quite sure what the question is.
- 23 | Q. It's not a trick question, I'm just trying to get things
- 24 | clear for the record.
- 25 Is it your testimony that because you were not

- 1 | working on the morning of September 22nd, 2005, therefore, you
- 2 were not on duty and could not have strip-searched Mr. Holmes
- 3 and Mr. Engram on that date?
- 4 A. That seems pretty accurate.
- 5 **Q.** Okay.
- 6 What was your shift around that time?
- 7 | **A.** 2:00 to midnight.
- 8 Q. Excuse me?
- 9 A. 2:00 in the afternoon to midnight.
- 10 **Q.** Were you assigned to any morning shifts?
- 11 A. That day?
- 12 Q. No, within September of 2005. Do you know?
- 13 A. I don't know. It's possible. Probable.
- 14 **Q.** Probable, you said?
- 15 A. Yeah, probable.
- 16 **Q.** Uh-huh.
- 17 | A. But I don't know that. I'm just guessing.
- 18 **Q.** Uh-huh.
- 19 What about, on September 29th, do you know if you
- 20 were working a morning shift that day?
- 21 A. You know, I don't know.
- 22 | Q. Would you turn to pages 4657 to 4659, please.
- 23 A. All right.
- 24 **Q.** So what does the first page of this appear to be?
- 25 | A. A very similar CAD printout on a different day.

- 1 Q. So this appears to be a CAD printout for September 29,
- 2 | 2005; is that right?
- 3 A. That's true.
- 4 | Q. And this also has your name on it, doesn't it? Richard
- 5 Vass?
- 6 A. Oh, yes, I see it now.
- 7 | Q. And the first entry says "unit on, vehicle 1923," right?
- 8 A. Yes, it does.
- 9 Q. That's your car, isn't it?
- 10 A. That is my car.
- 11 Q. That would indicate that you informed the dispatcher that
- 12 you were in your car and ready for duty at 9:13 a.m. on
- 13 | September 29th, 2005; is that right?
- 14 A. I believe so.
- 15 **Q.** What time would you have started your shift that day?
- 16 **A.** I don't know. I mean, I don't know. I have no idea.
- 17 | Q. Well, if you were working a morning shift, were there
- 18 | regular times when your shift began?
- 19 A. Not necessarily. It depends what we were doing that day.
- 20 I mean, sometimes you come in for an operation. I think some
- 21 | of these points I was doing -- we had to backfill patrol to
- 22 | help out with patrol, so I'm not quite sure.
- 23 | Q. What would you typically do around that time period before
- 24 | telling the dispatcher that you were unit on, ready for duty?
- 25 A. Well, I think kind of like back to the previous incident

- that we talked about on the 22nd of September, it shows me starting on at, like, 3:20 when, in, fact, I probably was actually at work at 2:00 o'clock.
- So we would have a briefing, talk about operations,

 what is going on. And so because generally I worked from 2:00

 to midnight. So that is where you get the ending time close to

 midnight on that night.
- 8 Q. So it's possible that on September 29th, 2005, your shift
 9 began at 8:00 a.m.; is that right?
- 10 A. I honestly have no idea. Maybe if there was an overtime 11 record or maybe just a time sheet we could look at, but just 12 right here with a piece of paper, I can't tell you anything 13 more than what is written on this piece of paper.
- 14 Q. All right.
- But you are not unit on until you are in your car in your area that you are required to be on; is that right?
- 17 A. No, not necessarily, because sometimes I would log on and
 18 then go to court. I'm really not ready for duty, I'm at court.
- 19 Q. Now, if you look at the next entry, 9:14 a.m., do you see
- 20 that?
- 21 | A. I do.
- 22 Q. This has a location for you, doesn't it?
- 23 A. It does.
- 24 **Q.** 1826 101st Avenue; is that right?
- 25 **A.** Yes.

- 1 Q. And that's on the east side, squarely within the area that
- 2 you were assigned; is that right?
- 3 A. It is, but if I just may add, it appears, just by looking
- 4 at this, that I was actually working patrol.
- 5 Q. Uh-huh.
- 6 A. And so when you are working patrol, I could be really
- 7 | working anywhere in the City. It just appears this day I am
- 8 actually working the same area that I generally would work at.
- 9 | Q. All right. So one minute after you went unit on, you were
- 10 at that address I just gave, 1826 101st, right?
- 11 | A. Well, like I said, I don't know how the dispatcher does
- 12 this information. I would imagine I probably wasn't there a
- 13 | minute later. I would probably say that I -- that's the time
- 14 | that she dispatched me to that location. And like said, I'm
- 15 | just kind of speculating. I'm not quite sure.
- 16 **Q.** Um-hmm.
- 17 MR. BOLEY: Your Honor, move to strike the last
- 18 | answer as speculation.
- 19 **THE COURT:** The last phrase is stricken.
- 20 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 21 Q. What does "415F" mean? That's the type.
- 22 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Lack of foundation.
- 23 **THE COURT:** Objection overruled.
- You may answer.
- 25 | THE WITNESS: Disturbing the peace.

BY MR. HADDAD: 1 2 So it appears that you were dispatched to a disturbing the 3 peace call; is that right? 4 A. Yes. 5 THE COURT: Well, are all of these items in the type 6 column, do those tend to be the penal code or vehicle code, or 7 whatever it may be, sections? I would say, generally, yes, 8 THE WITNESS: because -- but there is --9 THE COURT: 2002 is a vehicle code? 10 11 Right, that is going to be a hit and THE WITNESS: 12 run. 13 THE COURT: Um-hmm. 14 THE WITNESS: But --15 BY MR. HADDAD: 16 Now -- sorry. 17 955A, that is like, I want to say a vicious dog, or something. And I don't really think -- I really don't recall 18 19 that being a vehicle code or penal code section. 20 that also is just the Oakland Police Department radio code mixed within that. 21 22 **THE COURT:** I see, okay. 23 BY MR. HADDAD: 24 Q. You said that from looking at this, you thought you were on 25 patrol that day, why is that?

- 1 A. I'm just looking at the locations and just responding to --
- 2 | first starts out at 4:15. Then I have a ringing alarm that I
- 3 responded to apparently at 9:39.
- And then the other one is like a hit and run at like
- 5 | 10:30, then still on it at 10:53. These are just -- those are
- 6 just indicative of being on patrol, responding to patrol calls.
- 7 Q. All right.
- 8 And do you think you were driving alone that day?
- 9 A. You know, I don't know.
- 10 Q. This only lists your name. There is no other officer
- 11 listed, is there?
- 12 A. That's true. It would be nice to actually see. I'm sure
- 13 somewhere, I just don't see it, of what my call sign was that
- 14 day.
- 15 **0.** Uh-huh.
- 16 **A.** If you could show me my call sign -- okay 3 tack (phonetic)
- 17 | 41, looks like my call sign.
- 18 | Q. 3 tack 61, I think?
- 19 **A.** Was that a 61? Thank you.
- 20 | Q. Sorry, looks like -- the very top entry but underneath unit
- 21 where it says 2T61?
- 22 A. Right.
- 23 | Q. What does 2 tack 61 mean to you?
- 24 | A. It would be a day watch position, a supplemental position
- 25 | helping out patrol, and 6 being District 6.

- 1 Q. And what is day watch?
- 2 A. The department has three different shifts: There is days,
- 3 | there is swing, and then there is graveyard. So day watch
- 4 | would be just the general -- general hours during the day.
- 5 Q. And when you started that shift, did you start at the
- 6 Oakland Police headquarters on Broadway and 7th?
- 7 **A.** I would be guessing at this point.
- 8 Q. Where else might you have started that day?
- 9 **A.** Eastmont.
- 10 **Q.** One of those two headquarters locations, right?
- 11 A. I believe so, yes.
- 12 Q. And then you get geared up, right?
- Let me take you through your day. You would show up
- 14 | at one of those headquarter location?
- 15 **A.** Um-hmm.
- 16 **Q.** And get dressed up for work that day in your police uniform
- 17 and get your gear ready, right?
- 18 Yes?
- 19 **A.** Yes.
- 20 | Q. And then you would have line-up, right?
- 21 | A. Um, it's hard to say with this particular day because --
- 22 | 'cuz if you can bear with me real quick, whatever -- I would
- 23 | imagine this is probably working. We were mandated to work
- 24 | overtime to supplement patrol. It appears this is what is
- 25 going on.

So it fluctuated back and forth, what truly happened 1 on that day for a briefing, if you will. Some of the times 2 3 are -- some of the times you would just start work at 4 9:00 o'clock. There wouldn't be a briefing, you would just 5 start your shift. 6 Uh-huh. Q. 7 But in any event, before the first entry or second entry shows you at 101st Avenue, sometime before that you would 8 9 have started out at one of the OPD headquarter locations, 10 right? 11 Yes. Now, can you determine from these three pages of CAD notes 12 13 when you ended your shift that day? Which three? 14 MR. BOLEY: 15 MR. HADDAD: 4657 to 4659. 16 MR. BOLEY: I would object on the grounds of just 17 lack of foundation in terms of there has been no showing made as to how this document was prepared, where the information --18 19 how the information was recovered, or -- and whether this 20 witness is able to testify as to any of these matters. 21 You can testify, if you know. THE COURT: 22 You are looking at 4659 now? 23 THE WITNESS: Yes, Your Honor, I am. THE COURT: And all of these pages have this 24 25 officer's name on them, so -- at any rate, go ahead with your

1 question.

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BY MR. HADDAD:

- 3 | Q. Can you determine when you ended your duty on
- 4 | September 29th, 2005?
- 5 | A. It appears the way I read this, like I said before, I was
- 6 | working patrol. Looks like I'm logging off at 13:29 hours, or
- 7 | 1:29. And I'm logging off from that patrol shift and then
- 8 | logging back on the same day, switching my call sign. It says
- 9 2L62 -- whatever -- says 2L62, unit logging on, and it's 1436.
- 10 It appears that maybe somewhere around 18:30 that
- 11 | call sign was changed to 20L62. Maybe me or the dispatcher
- 12 | made a mistake on the original call sign, but it looks like
- 13 | that is kind of what was going on.
- 14 \mathbf{Q} . So this looks like you were still on duty as of 22:50 that
- 15 | evening, is that accurate?
- 16 **A.** Right. I think we did probably say that up until that
- 17 | point I was on duty. I don't know if I can speak for after
- 18 that.
- 19 Q. All right.
- Now, flipping back briefly to the first page, 4657,
- 21 do you see that?
- 22 **A.** Okay.
- 23 | Q. On this page, it describes several different sort of
- 24 | incidents or issues that you responded to between 9:14 and 1:04
- 25 p.m., correct?

- 1 A. Right.
- 2 Q. And then when you go to the third page, 4659, between time
- 3 | 14:36 and 18:23, two entries later, there is really no
- 4 information listed for what you were doing; is that right?
- 5 A. Well, there is an entry -- so between 2:36, there is
- 6 another entry at 5:41. There is no entry what that is as far
- 7 as to the right of it. But apparently there is something going
- 8 on because I was associated with the time. And then at 18:23,
- 9 I was logged off.
- 10 Q. So from 2:36 to 5:41, there is really no mention of what
- 11 | you were doing on duty, correct?
- 12 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Lack of foundation. You are
- 13 asking the witness to talk about, you know, a lack of evidence
- 14 of something, and he doesn't have any information about how
- 15 this document was prepared or where the information comes from.
- 16 **THE COURT:** Objection is overruled.
- 17 You may answer.
- 18 | THE WITNESS: I have no -- according to CAD, I have
- 19 | no idea what I was doing, especially not just with looking at
- 20 this information now.
- 21 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 22 Q. Do you ever use the Internet site MapQuest for maps or
- 23 directions?
- 24 A. I'm sure I have.
- 25 \ Q. And it's something you have used to get directions when you

- 1 | want to go somewhere and you don't know how to get there?
- 2 A. Yeah, sure.
- 3 | Q. And would you turn to page -- well, before you turn: One
- 4 | more time to the first page of these three CAD logs we were
- 5 looking at, 4657.
- 6 Once again, your first assignment noted at 9:14 a.m.
- 7 on September 29, 2005 was the location 1826 101st Avenue; is
- 8 | that right?
- 9 **A.** Yes.
- 10 Q. Now, please turn to Plaintiff's Exhibit 8.
- 11 **A.** You said 8?
- 12 **Q.** Yeah.
- Does this appear to be a MapQuest map?
- 14 | A. Yes, it does say MapQuest.
- 15 Q. All right.
- 16 Now, do you see point B at the top it says, "ending
- 17 | location point B" being 1826 101st Avenue?
- 18 A. Yes, I do, I see it.
- 19 **Q.** And orienting yourself on the map, does the point B, as
- 20 depicted on the map, appear to actually be 1826 101st Avenue?
- 21 | A. I mean, based upon I guess the star, I would say that is
- 22 probably accurate.
- 23 **Q.** Okay.
- Now, the plaintiffs, Holmes and Engram, allege that
- 25 | you strip-searched them on or about September 22th, 2005, at C

- 1 Street and 98th.
- 2 **A.** Um-hmm.
- 3 | Q. So do you see that point A is located at 9760 C Street,
- 4 which is near 98th?
- 5 **A.** True.
- 6 Q. And according to this map, the distance between point A,
- 7 | where the plaintiffs allege they were strip-searched, and point
- 8 B, where you had your first call on September 29, was
- 9 approximately .78 miles. Do you see that on the map? It says
- 10 at the top. It's in writing.
- 11 | A. I do see it.
- 12 Q. Do you have any reason to dispute that that would be
- 13 approximately .78 miles distance between those two points, as
- 14 | depicted on this map?
- 15 A. I have no basis to dispute.
- 16 Q. All right.
- 17 Does this map look accurate to you in terms of the
- 18 streets?
- 19 A. It appears accurate.
- 20 Q. All right.
- 21 MR. HADDAD: I move for the admission of Plaintiff's
- 22 Exhibit 8 at this time.
- 23 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Lack of foundation, Your
- 24 | Honor in terms -- he testified he's used MapQuest before.
- 25 THE COURT: Well, he's also testified about this

1 map. 2 MR. BOLEY: Right. Objection is overruled. 3 THE COURT: 4 (Plaintiff's Exhibit 8 was received in 5 evidence.) 6 BY MR. HADDAD: 7 Have you seen any reports or field contact cards or stop 8 data forms or other documentation for stopping either 9 Mr. Holmes, Engram or Rix on September 29, 2005? Objection. Relevance, Your Honor. 10 MR. BOLEY: 11 THE COURT: Objection is overruled. 12 THE WITNESS: I don't recall seeing any. 13 BY MR. HADDAD: 14 Q. Did you have any contact at all with either Holmes, Engram 15 or Rix on September 29, 2005, when you worked the morning 16 shift? 17 A. You are saying when I worked that morning did I have 18 contact with them? 19 Yes. 20 It doesn't appear that I did, no. 21 Q. Okay. 22 Then why did you run Mark Engram's name for warrants 23 later on the day of September 29, 2005 if you never had contact 24 with him that day? 25 I think you said that morning, doesn't appear that I did.

- 1 So it is possible in the afternoon that I did.
- 2 Q. I asked you about the day.
- 3 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Misstates the testimony.
- 4 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 5 Q. Let me ask you again: Did you have any contact at all with
- 6 either Holmes, Engram or Rix on the day of September 29, 2005
- 7 | when you started work in the morning?
- 8 A. All right, if you -- can you break the question down?
- 9 Q. Did you have any contact at all with Holmes, Engram or Rix
- 10 on September 29, 2005?
- 11 A. And I may have. It appears, based upon this CAD entry when
- 12 | I was working patrol, it appears I did not.
- 13 **Q.** Okay.
- If you had contact with them, you should have filled
- 15 out a field contact card and turned it in, right?
- 16 A. When you say I should have, so sounds to me like you are
- 17 | saying I didn't.
- 18 Q. You were required to, right?
- 19 **A.** If I stopped him, yes.
- 20 Q. All right.
- 21 Then if you had contact, meaning a stop, of Holmes,
- 22 | Engram or Rix on September 29, 2005, you were also required to
- 23 | make sure that a stop data form was completed, right?
- 24 MR. BOLEY: Well, objection, Your Honor. The
- 25 question was contact, not stop.

- 1 THE COURT: Why don't you ask the question whether
- 2 he stopped them or detained them, whatever term you are going
- 3 to use.
- 4 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 5 Q. If you stopped Holmes, Engram or Rix on September 29, 2005,
- 6 | you were you required to fill out a stop data form to document
- 7 that, right?
- 8 A. If I stopped them, yes.
- 9 **Q.** Yeah.
- Would you turn to Exhibit 5, page 4660, please.
- 11 **A.** The page again, please?
- 12 **Q.** 4660.
- Did you find the page?
- 14 **A.** I did.
- 15 **Q.** Now, at the very top there appears to be an e-mail; is that
- 16 right?
- 17 **A.** Yes.
- 18 Q. Who's Christopher Shannon?
- 19 A. Lieutenant of Police.
- 20 \ Q. He was the Internal Affairs investigator for the Holmes,
- 21 | Engram, Rix complaint against you, correct?
- 22 **A.** He was.
- 23 | Q. He interviewed you, didn't he?
- 24 **A.** He did.
- 25 Q. Who is Phyllis Bruning (phonetic)?

- 1 A. I know she is -- I believe she's a dispatcher, police
- 2 dispatcher. Not exactly sure of what her true affiliation is,
- 3 but I believe she is a dispatcher and works out of dispatch.
- 4 Q. She has a supervisory job with the dispatch unit; isn't
- 5 | that right?
- 6 A. I don't know.
- 7 | Q. Now, this page, which is -- strike that.
- 8 You indicated that you have reviewed some of the
- 9 | Internal Affairs investigation for these complaints against
- 10 | you; is that right?
- 11 **A.** Um-hmm.
- 12 **Q.** Yes?
- 13 **A.** Yes.
- 14 Q. All right.
- Now, have you seen this page before?
- 16 A. I don't recall if I have. I don't know. Might have -- I
- 17 | don't know. They may have showed it to me during the Internal
- 18 Affairs investigation. I don't remember.
- 19 **Q.** Okay.
- Now, do you see there is the e-mail that says, "hi
- 21 | Chris. Here is the response from your additional response
- 22 | criteria. I indicated in bold who the person was that accessed
- 23 | the info." And it's signed, "Phyllis."
- Do you see that?
- 25 MR. BOLEY: Objection, Your Honor. The document

- 1 | speaks for itself.
- There has been no foundation laid that the witness
- 3 has not seen this document before. I don't see how he can
- 4 testify about its contents.
- 5 MR. HADDAD: The witness said he reviewed the
- 6 Internal Affairs investigation, that's what he said.
- 7 MR. BOLEY: He said he didn't remember whether or
- 8 | not he had looked at this indictment.
- 9 THE COURT: What is your question about this
- 10 document?
- 11 MR. HADDAD: I want to ask him about the portion
- 12 | below it, but I'm trying to get there, first.
- 13 **THE COURT:** You may proceed.
- 14 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 15 **Q.** All right, do you see the portion I just read?
- 16 **A.** I do.
- 17 | Q. And below that, do you see that there is some entries that
- 18 have your name on them? Do you see that?
- 19 **A.** I do.
- 20 **Q.** And there is a date of 2005.272, do you see that under
- 21 | "name 1, first entry"?
- 22 **A.** Yes, I do.
- 23 | Q. And then someone has written, "September 29," do you see
- 24 | the entry there?
- 25 **A.** I do.

1	$oldsymbol{\mathcal{Q}}_{ullet}$ Now, do you know whether or not 272 refers to the 272nd day
2	of the year, which is September 29th?
3	MR. BOLEY: Objection. Lack of foundation.
4	MR. HADDAD: Asking if he knows.
5	THE COURT: The question is whether these
6	objections, some of which makes no sense.
7	MR. BOLEY: Well, Your Honor
8	THE COURT: "The document speaks for itself," what
9	does that mean? There is no such rule in the Federal Rules,
10	okay? I mean, that is some other era.
11	MR. BOLEY: Well, certainly, I think it's still the
12	rule that to have somebody testify about a document, they have
13	to have some understanding of what it is. And there has been
14	no foundation laid as to what this information represents.
15	THE COURT: He is asking a question as to the
16	meaning of a certain whether or not that's what it could
17	mean. And also, he's testified that he's reviewed some of
18	these documents.
19	Now, let's see where it goes. So far, I haven't
20	heard a basis for objecting.
21	MR. BOLEY: Well, I think it calls for speculation
22	and lack of foundation. Just renew my objection.
23	THE COURT: There's a lot of speculation, I guess,
24	going on.
25	Objection is overruled.

- 1 THE WITNESS: I don't know if that is the 272nd day
- 2 of the year.
- 3 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 4 **Q.** Okay.
- 5 But do you have the understanding that your
- 6 department keeps date records in this way for certain type of
- 7 | warrant access information?
- 8 MR. BOLEY: Lack of foundation.
- 9 THE WITNESS: I'm aware they can go back and
- 10 retrieve information that's ran out on people. How they do it
- 11 or how they go about it I don't know.
- 12 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 13 | Q. Would you turn to page 4663, couple pages later.
- 14 A. All right.
- 15 Q. Still in Exhibit 6 -- excuse me, Exhibit 5, the Internal
- 16 | Affairs investigation.
- 17 See this chart here?
- 18 | A. I see it.
- 19 **Q.** Let's go to number 272 to orient you.
- 20 **A.** Um-hmm.
- 21 | Q. And if you read the chart, that appears to indicate that
- 22 | that number is September 29, do you agree?
- 23 | A. That's what -- it appears that that's what that chart says,
- 24 yes.
- 25 Q. Now, going back to page 4660, these entries under "name No.

1," don't those indicate that on September 29, 2005, you, 1 2 Officer Vass, did a warrant check on Mr. Engram? 3 Objection. Lack of foundation. MR. BOLEY: The objection is overruled. 4 THE COURT: 5 I -- I would imagine -- well, I don't THE WITNESS: 6 know. I would be speculating exactly what it is. 7 THE COURT: Okay. I can tell you what it says here. 8 THE WITNESS: 9 BY MR. HADDAD: 10 Um-hmm. Q. 11 But to say working from or how they got it I don't know. Have you seen this kind of code information pulled up when 12 you do a warrant check on somebody? 13 14 A . No. 15 Do you know what "KEXC" refers to? 16 A. No, sir. 17 Do you see where it says "L1 Engram," comma, "Mark" on the third line of the substantive entries? 18 19 I do. 20 And below that appears to be his driver's license number, 21 do you see that? 22 Objection. Lack of foundation. MR. BOLEY: 23 Do you know if that is his driver's THE COURT:

I don't have his driver's license

license number or appears to be his driver's license number?

THE WITNESS:

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- 1 | number memorized, I don't know. It could be, though.
- 2 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 3 | Q. You don't have his driver's license number memorized, is
- 4 | that what you said?
- 5 A. Yes, sir, I don't.
- 6 Q. So if you ran a warrant check using his driver's license
- 7 | number, you would have had to ask him that number pretty
- 8 recently, don't you agree?
- 9 A. I don't know. I don't know if -- like I said, generally,
- 10 when you run a person out, I mean, you -- you normally don't
- 11 | run based upon their CDL alone, their driver's license alone.
- 12 **Q.** What else do you run it on?
- 13 **A.** Generally, their name and date of birth.
- 14 | Q. Their name and date of birth, too?
- 15 A. That would be -- I try to think how, generally, I do it;
- 16 it's the name and date birth.
- 17 | Q. On the next entry, so this is -- the next entry, do you see
- 18 | at the bottom where it says "Engram," comma, "Mark, X DOB"?
- 19 **A.** Um-hmm.
- 20 **Q.** 1979 0101?
- 21 A. I do see that.
- 22 | Q. That appears to be Mark Engram's name and date of birth,
- 23 | doesn't it?
- 24 | A. I know it's his name. I don't have his date of birth
- 25 memorized.

- 1 Q. Once again, for you to be able to do a warrant check on
- 2 Mr. Engram, you would have needed someone to provide you with
- 3 his date of birth close in time to when you did the warrant
- 4 check, correct?
- 5 A. Somewhat, yeah. The answer is maybe yes, maybe no. There
- 6 is times when you are still just trying to check up to see what
- 7 | that person's status is, you would run them out.
- 8 **Q.** Uh-huh.
- 9 A. And so at times you would just use a general date of birth,
- 10 for instance, you know.
- 11 **Q.** What do you mean, a general date of birth?
- 12 | A. Well, you would try -- there is a certain -- you have to
- 13 get the year query somewhat close to what his date of birth
- 14 would be.
- 15 **Q.** Oh.
- 16 So given that you -- strike that.
- Given that this entry refers to January 1, 1979, is
- 18 | that the type of general birthdate you might give when you're
- 19 doing it that way?
- 20 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Lack of foundation. We
- 21 | haven't established the date.
- 22 | THE COURT: The objection is overruled.
- 23 | THE WITNESS: I -- unfortunately, I don't know. It
- 24 | may have been his true date of birth or a general inquiry. I
- 25 don't know.

BY MR. HADDAD:

- 2 Q. Do you know why your name appears on these entries with
- 3 | Mark Engram's name?
- 4 **A.** No, I don't.
- 5 Q. Have you spoken with the Internal Affairs investigator
- 6 about the information on this sheet?
- 7 **A.** I don't know.
- 8 | Q. Did you ever have any discussions with the Internal Affairs
- 9 investigator or anyone from IA, including Benson Farrell, about
- 10 whether you had any contact with either Holmes, Engram or Rix
- 11 on September 29, 2005?
- 12 A. Honestly, I don't know. It's possible. I don't know.
- 13 **THE COURT:** Well, do the numbers in, for example,
- 14 | this very first entry on the page we have been looking at have
- 15 | any significance to you, such as the ORV 8399?
- 16 | THE WITNESS: Trying to find out where you see that,
- ma'am.
- 18 | **THE COURT:** On page 4660.
- 19 **THE WITNESS:** Um-hmm.
- 20 **THE COURT:** The very first entry.
- 21 THE WITNESS: I'm looking for the ORV.
- 22 **THE COURT:** ORV.
- 23 **THE WITNESS:** Where do you see that?
- 24 THE COURT: On the same line as your name, on the
- 25 | first line.

1 THE WITNESS: Oh, okay. 2 THE COURT: Does that number have any meaning to 3 you? 4 THE WITNESS: Yes. 5 THE COURT: What is it? 6 THE WITNESS: That is a number that's kind of 7 assigned to me at Oakland Police. Generally, that's like a 8 call sign for like me to access the CAD system, and so forth, 9 or if I was to run somebody out, or so forth, that would be a number that's kind of like a name identifier. 10 11 That's a number that you would enter? THE COURT: 12 THE WITNESS: To my knowledge, I would. But, like I 13 said, I don't recognize any of this format or anything else 14 that goes with it. 15 THE COURT: What about the 00046 to the left of 16 that, does that mean anything? 17 THE WITNESS: No. BY MR. HADDAD: 18 19 These entries also have a time listed by them, do you see 20 that? 21 A. I do. 22 18:07:59 which would be 6:07:59, right? 23 A. Yes. 24 If you turn to the previous page, Bates 4659, which, again, 25 is part of the CAD entries for your work on September 29.

- 1 **A.** Um-hmm.
- 2 **Q.** What were you doing at that time, 6:07:59?
- MR. BOLEY: Objection. Lack of foundation as to this document recording what he was doing, he's referring to
- 5 | this document.
- 6 THE COURT: You can ask him if it refreshes his recollection as to what he was doing.
- 8 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 9 Q. Do the CAD entries at 46:59 refresh your memory about what
- 10 you were doing on that date, September 29, at 18:07:59?
- 11 A. No, it doesn't refresh my memory. I can read off what it
- 12 says, but it doesn't refresh my memory.
- 13 | Q. Is there any entry on this that would indicate what you
- 14 | were doing at that time?
- 15 A. Like I said, I can read off what it says.
- 16 **Q.** Go ahead.
- 17 A. Well, actually, there is no entry for 59, so maybe that's
- 18 | probably the best answer.
- 19 Q. And what is the nearest entry to 18:07 that you see on page
- 20 4659?
- 21 A. The time, please, again?
- 22 **Q.** 18:07.
- 23 A. Well, it is 18:23. It says "unit off."
- 24 **Q.** Um-hmm.
- 25 **A.** But it appears that if you look to the far left, it says

- 1 | 2062, that really wasn't my call sign, 20L62 was down there
- 2 below. So it appears there may have been a mistake somewhere,
- 3 either by me or dispatch. I don't know who.
- 4 Q. So shortly after 18:07 p.m. -- excuse me, 18:07 military
- 5 | time, 6:07 p.m., you were apparently having some communications
- 6 | with the dispatcher about your on and off-duty status; is that
- 7 right?
- 8 A. Sure.
- 9 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Lack of foundation.
- 10 Misstates testimony.
- 11 THE COURT: You may testify, if you know from review
- 12 of this.
- 13 | THE WITNESS: I would say it appears to be so, just
- 14 based upon it says unit on, unit off. Seems to be something
- 15 going on, I don't know what, but appears to be something.
- 16 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 17 Q. All right.
- 18 Now, does your department maintain Internal Affairs
- 19 | files, as far as you know?
- 20 **A.** I'm not -- kind of broad. Can you narrow it down?
- 21 **Q.** Yeah.
- 22 There is an Internal Affairs division at OPD?
- 23 A. There is.
- 24 | Q. And to your knowledge, does the Internal Affairs division
- 25 keep files on particular investigations that they have done on

1 officers?

- 2 MR. BOLEY: Lack of foundation.
- 3 THE COURT: You may testify, if you know.
- 4 THE WITNESS: I know they have some files. To the
- 5 depth that they have and how long, the longevity of it, I don't
- 6 know.
- 7 | BY MR. HADDAD:
- 8 Q. All right.
- 9 A. But I know they have some things.
- 10 **Q.** As for the files that you testified you reviewed about the
- 11 | plaintiffs' complaints against you, that is an Internal Affairs
- 12 | file you are talking about, right?
- 13 **A.** I believe it is, yeah.
- 14 Q. And that is a file that the OPD maintains in its records,
- 15 | isn't it?
- 16 | A. I mean, you are asking me about an assumption. I'm
- 17 | assuming they do, I don't know beyond that. But they have some
- 18 | kind of records keeping of Internal Affairs files.
- 19 Q. Do you have any doubt that they have a copy of this
- 20 | Internal Affairs report somewhere in the Internal Affairs
- 21 division?
- 22 | A. No, I'm sure they do because we managed to get it. Beyond
- 23 | talking with this one or how far they go back and what all they
- 24 keep, I don't know.
- 25 **Q.** I'm not asking about other reports, just about this one.

1 **A.** Okay.

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2 Q. This is a report that the Internal Affairs division keeps
3 in the ordinary course of its business, isn't that right?

MR. BOLEY: Objection. Lack of foundation.

THE COURT: You may testify, if you know.

THE WITNESS: I don't know, if you say ordinary course of business. They did an investigation.

8 BY MR. HADDAD:

- Q. And you were able to look at it by getting a copy from Internal Affairs; is that right?
- 11 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Vague as to "it."
- 12 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 13 Q. This report, which is Plaintiff's Exhibit 5.
- 14 A. I'm not sure what all I got through them. Some -- I got
- discovery things that you got, and so I think some of it was in
- 16 there.
- 17 | Q. All right.
- 18 Now --
- 19 MR. HADDAD: Based on that testimony, together with
- 20 | the stipulation from the City that all records of the City of
- Oakland and OPD are authentic, I move for the admission of just
- 22 the pages we've been discussing, Bates No. 4657 to 4659, which
- 23 are the CAD logs, and Bates Number 4660 and 4663.
- 24 MR. BOLEY: Your Honor, the parties reserved any
- 25 | objections that they may have to it.

There's been no foundation laid as to who prepared 1 these documents, what information is contained in them. 2 And 3 the witness was able to talk about some of these entries based 4 on his understanding of what CAD reports are. He also 5 testified that there appeared to be some errors in the CAD in 6 that there was a reference to a unit that he was not assigned 7 to. 8 And as to 4660 to 4662, he has no information 9 whatsoever as to how these documents were prepared. MR. HADDAD: And I would point out that the 10 11 objections raised go to weight. And furthermore, since the City of Oakland is a party, these are also admissions of a 12 13 party. MR. BOLEY: Well, Your Honor, they aren't admissions 14 15 of anything. And it doesn't go to weight, it goes to 16 admissibility, Your Honor. 17 THE COURT: Well, are you suggesting to me, with respect to the CAD reports now, that these are not accurately 18 19 kept and maintained, and they are not maintained in the regular 20 course of business? Well, there is two problems, Your Honor. 21 MR. BOLEY: 22 First off, we don't -- it depends on the type of query that is

done into the computer as to the type of information that you

necessarily get all the entries relating to a particular

could get back. And depending on the guery you make, you don't

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incident, for instance. 1 2 Also, errors do occur in --That doesn't defeat foundation for a THE COURT: 3 4 document, the fact that there may be errors in it. 5 something that is kept in the regular course of business, the 6 fact that there may be an error in it doesn't make it inadmissible. 7 8 Well, that's true, Your Honor --MR. BOLEY: 9 THE COURT: Okay. But, he's being asked to attest as to 10 MR. BOLEY: 11 what these documents are that they are kept in the ordinary 12 course of business, that they represent some particular type of 13 information that has been retrieved from OPD records, and he 14 simply can't do that. 15 And so we don't know that these -- you know, we 16 don't know that these are complete, for instance, you know, 17 plaintiff -- I mean counsel is making certain insinuations that 18 there is not entries that one would expect. And we have no 19 information about whether or not one would expect them based on 20 the query that was done in order to get the data. 21 THE COURT: With respect to these last few documents, if I can go back and find the pages that he was 22 23 asked about, he does not have -- he can't lay the foundation 24 through this witness for those.

But, I mean, these CAD reports have been used and

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relied upon by both sides. Okay, the ones I'm talking about 1 more recently are the ones, 4660, et cetera. And he really 2 3 hadn't been able to testify as to those. He can sort of glean 4 some things maybe from reading them, but we don't know what we 5 are reading. 6 With respect to the CAD reports, there has been all 7 kinds of testimony regarding those and the contents of them, so 8 I will allow those to come in. MR. BOLEY: And that's 40 --9 THE COURT: As to the others, the 4660, et cetera, 10 11 you are going to have to bring somebody in who can lay the foundation for those. 12 13 MR. HADDAD: We'll bring in the head of IA to talk 14 about those, Your Honor. 15 THE COURT: Okay, fine. 16 So you need to straighten out with Mr. Bowser the 17 page numbers that are actually coming in. MR. HADDAD: Okay, we will. 18 19 THE COURT: Sometime before the end of the day. 20 BY MR. HADDAD: 21 Do you know a very old man who lived on C Street named Johnnie Thornton? 22 23 Not off the top of my head. 24 THE WITNESS: Your Honor? A break? 25 THE COURT: You need a break?

1	MR. HADDAD: This is a good time.
2	THE COURT: About how much longer are you going to
3	be with the witness?
4	MR. HADDAD: Unfortunately a while, an hour or two.
5	THE COURT: Really?
6	MR. HADDAD: Yeah.
7	MR. BURRIS: Your Honor, we have a couple of
8	witnesses, certainly at least one, that is really only
9	available today. And we would probably like to interrupt at
10	some point in time to make sure we get that witness in for both
11	direct and cross-examination. Should not be long, but it is
12	something we should do.
13	THE COURT: Not somebody who is a party.
14	MR. BURRIS: Not a party, no, a witness.
15	MS. SHERWIN: Renee Glenn the mother of
16	Mark Engram.
17	THE COURT: We'll take ten minutes now and reconvene
18	with this witness' testimony. And let's try to get through it,
19	okay, because we haven't gotten much of any of the actual
20	incidents.
21	MR. HADDAD: I'm through the first one now.
22	THE COURT: Okay.
23	MR. HADDAD: A few more to go.
24	(Recess taken at 2:07 p.m.)
25	(Proceedings resumed at 2:30 p.m.)

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                THE COURT:
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                MR. HADDAD:
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     pace, so I'm going to start talking really fast.
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                THE COURT REPORTER:
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                MR. BURRIS:
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                THE COURT REPORTER:
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     BY MR. HADDAD:
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         Okay, turning to the next claim that I would like to ask
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     you about, I want to ask you about a claim that you strip
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     on July 19, 2006.
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                Do you recall arresting Michael Holmes on July 19,
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         At 107th and Pontiac?
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         Do you recall that that incident started around dusk, 8:00
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     p.m. or a little later?
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         I'm sorry, you said 8:00 p.m. or later?
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         Could be a little bit earlier, but yes.
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- 1 **Q.** Okay.
- Who was your partner that day?
- 3 A. At the time, Officer Todd Mork, M-o-r-k, first name, Todd.
- 4 | Q. How long were you partners with Officer Mork?
- 5 A. I'm guessing maybe two years. I don't have a basis for
- 6 that answer. It was a while, but I really don't have a great
- 7 answer.
- 8 Q. All right.
- 9 Well, he was your main assigned partner for a
- 10 | significant period of time; is that right?
- 11 **A.** Yes.
- 12 Q. So that is the basis on which I'm asking for an answer:
- 13 What's your best memory of the period of time from one year to
- 14 | another that you were assigned with Officer Mork?
- 15 | A. I believe '06 I was. That was my best period -- I don't
- 16 | really have a basis, you know, one way or the other.
- 17 Q. All right.
- 18 Now in the incident, you drove up with Officer Mork
- 19 and saw Michael Holmes somewhere, right?
- 20 **A.** Yes, I was in the vehicle on the passenger's side, but,
- 21 yes.
- 22 Q. You were in the passenger's side?
- 23 A. I believe so.
- 24 | Q. All right.
- 25 And I understand that you saw Michael Holmes washing

- 1 | a car in the street; is that right?
- 2 A. Not really. There was a car that was being washed,
- 3 presumably his, or possibly his. I don't think he was washing
- 4 | so much. He was there on the sidewalk area.
- 5 | Q. He was next to the car that was being washed?
- 6 A. He was, I guess, close to it. I don't know -- I'm -- he
- 7 didn't have a sponge that he was washing the car, physically.
- 8 Q. Do you know what he was doing before you drove up?
- 9 A. No, I wasn't there.
- 10 **Q.** Okay.
- Now, you knew Michael Holmes by name by that time;
- 12 | is that right?
- 13 **A.** That's true.
- 14 | Q. And you also knew that Michael Holmes was not on probation
- 15 or parole at that time, right?
- 16 A. I don't know.
- 17 **Q.** Okay.
- 18 | Would you please turn to page 40 -- let me see,
- 19 double-check the page.
- 20 Page 47.
- 21 **A.** You said 47?
- 22 **Q.** Yeah, lines 8 to 11.
- 23 | A. And just so I confirm, the small upper right one, or are we
- 24 going with the bottom one?
- 25 \ Q. On the page that you have, it's going to say 46 at the

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                MR. HADDAD:
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               know whether or not Mr. Holmes was on
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               probation or on parole?
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                     I don't believe he was on
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         I read that correctly, didn't I?
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         You did.
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                So does that also refresh your memory about the fact
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     that he was not on probation or parole on July 19, 2006?
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                             Misstates the testimony.
                MR. BOLEY:
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                             Objection -- what is your objection?
                THE COURT:
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                             Okay, the question is, does it refresh
                MR. BOLEY:
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     your recollection. I withdraw my objection.
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- 1 THE COURT: Okay. Thank you.
- 2 **THE WITNESS:** I don't -- I don't have a physical
- 3 basis this minute at that time if he was on probation or
- 4 parole. I can tell you what I said in my deposition. I don't
- 5 recall.
- 6 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 7 | Q. At your deposition, you testified that he was not on
- 8 | probation or on parole on July 19, 2006, right?
- 9 A. That appears accurate.
- 10 **Q.** Okay.
- Okay, now, as you drove up and saw Mr. Holmes, I
- 12 understand he ran from you; is that right?
- 13 A. That's true.
- 14 **Q.** And you got out of the car, and you chased him?
- 15 **A.** I did.
- 16 | Q. And at some point, he jumped over a fence and you followed
- 17 | him; is that right?
- 18 **A.** In a sense, yes.
- 19 Q. While that was happening, Officer Mork was driving the car
- 20 | around to another place so that he could assist you; is that
- 21 right?
- 22 A. I don't know what Officer Mork did.
- 23 **Q.** Okay.
- 24 When you caught Michael Holmes, he had fallen down
- 25 | after trying to get over a fence; is that right?

- 1 A. Yes. Yes.
- 2 Q. And you claimed at the time that he gave up and he handed
- 3 you a Baggie of suspected drugs; is that right?
- 4 A. That's true.
- 5 Q. And at that point, you arrested him; is that right?
- 6 **A.** Yes.
- 7 Q. And then you searched him, incident to arrest; is that
- 8 right?
- 9 **A.** Yes.
- 10 Q. And you were in the backyard of that house at 107th and
- 11 | Pontiac, I understand; is that right?
- 12 **A.** Well, it's --
- 13 Q. It's actually a side yard, isn't it?
- 14 | A. It is a side yard, but it's not so much the exact corner
- 15 | house, it's actually the one house above. He ran through that
- 16 | corner house, jumped the fence going into the one yard.
- 17 Oakland direction is north, true directions, that would be east
- 18 one yard.
- 19 **Q.** Where did you search Michael Holmes at that time?
- 20 | A. Directly where he landed, in that one yard north right
- 21 where he fell on top of the pottery.
- 22 \ Q. Okay. And what type fence did he fall off trying to climb?
- 23 A. As I recall, it was just a wooden fence.
- 24 **Q.** Wooden fence or a chain link fence? Do you recall?
- 25 A. I think it was wood.

1	Q. Okay.
2	You could see through the fence, couldn't you?
3	MR. BOLEY: Objection. Which fence?
4	MR. HADDAD: The fence that he was next to when he
5	searched him.
6	THE WITNESS: Oh, yeah, you could see there is
7	two fences, if this is where we are at. There is the main wood
8	fence you can't see, chain-link fence that leads out to 107th
9	Avenue, you could see there.
10	BY MR. HADDAD:
11	Q. So you could see the area where you were searching
12	Michael Holmes from the street; is that correct?
13	A. Yes.
14	$oldsymbol{\mathcal{Q}_{oldsymbol{\cdot}}}$ Did anyone else see your search of Michael Holmes at that
15	time?
16	MR. BOLEY: Objection. Calls for speculation.
17	MR. HADDAD: If you know.
18	THE COURT: You can testify, if you know.
19	THE WITNESS: I believe Sergeant Bernard Ortiz, he
20	was there or witnessed from the chain-link fence on the street.
21	BY MR. HADDAD:
22	Q. Why do you believe that Sergeant Ortiz saw the search?
23	A. I can't say what exact moment, but I remember looking
24	through the chain-link fence and observing Sergeant Ortiz.
25	Q. Okay.

- 1 Was Officer Mork present during that search?
- 2 A. I don't believe so.
- 3 Q. You said you don't believe so?
- 4 A. I don't believe so.
- 5 Q. Describe the search, please.
- 6 A. Um, a search incident to arrest?
- 7 Q. The search that you did on Michael Holmes at that time.
- 8 A. Right.
- 9 Q. Can you describe it, please.
- 10 **A.** I don't have an exact recollection of what I did. I can
- 11 tell you, in generality, what I would generally do, but I
- 12 remember -- I know I searched him. He had some -- of course,
- 13 he handed me the drugs. I searched him. I found currency in
- 14 his pockets. And that was pretty much it. I don't remember
- 15 there being much else in regards to the search. I didn't do,
- 16 of course, what is being claimed.
- 17 | Q. You would have searched around his waist area and belt
- 18 | area, wouldn't you?
- 19 A. Sure, absolutely.
- 20 **Q.** Did you search around the crotch area of Mr. Holmes' body?
- 21 | A. I'm sure I did, but only through the exterior of his
- 22 | clothing, just of what a normal search incident to arrest would
- 23 be.
- 24 | Q. Uh-huh.
- 25 Did you unbutton Mr. Holmes' pants and pull his

- 1 pants and boxers away to examine his genital area with a
- 2 | flashlight?
- 3 A. No. And second of all, it was still light outside.
- 4 **Q.** Okay.
- Now, on other occasions with other people when you
- 6 have strip-searched them at night, you have used a flashlight
- 7 | to look into their pants, haven't you?
- 8 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Relevance.
- 9 **THE COURT:** Overruled.
- 10 You may answer.
- 11 THE WITNESS: You said people? Like I said, I don't
- 12 recall how many people I've strip-searched. I have mentioned I
- 13 | have; have I used a flashlight? Yeah, I'm sure I have. Yes, I
- 14 believe I have.
- 15 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 16 **Q.** Okay.
- Did you strip-search Mr. Holmes during this incident
- 18 | we have been discussing?
- 19 **A.** No.
- 20 **Q.** And why didn't you strip-search him on that occasion?
- 21 **A.** You are saying why didn't I?
- 22 **Q.** Yeah.
- 23 | A. I would say there was no need. I mean, there was just no
- 24 reason to.
- 25 | Q. Was a strip search justified on Michael Holmes during this

1 arrest? 2 A. No. 3 And the search that you did perform incident to arrest, did 4 you find anything suspicious on him? 5 A. You are saying the search that I did to Michael Holmes, did 6 I find anything suspicious on him? 7 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Vague as to "suspicious." Objection is overruled. 8 THE COURT: 9 You may answer. THE WITNESS: No, I don't believe so. 10 11 I'm just trying to think of everything that Nothing stands out as being suspicious. 12 I mean, we 13 recovered his money, that was during the searches; we believe 14 they were proceeds from the sales because we arrested him for 15 sales of narcotics. I don't know when you are saying 16 suspicious. 17 BY MR. HADDAD: 18 Okay. Q. 19 But it's accurate to say that you would not have 20 been legally justified to strip search Mr. Holmes at that time 21 and place, correct? 22 Calls for a legal conclusion. MR. BOLEY: 23 The objection is overruled. THE COURT: 24 You may answer. 25 With everything that just occurred THE WITNESS:

- here, with these facts, there was no reason to do a strip search.
- 3 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 4 **Q.** Okay.
- And you would not have been legally justified to do

 a strip search on Michael Holmes under those facts, correct?
- 7 A. Um, I don't believe I would have been justified in doing a
- 8 strip search. There was no -- I mean, you are talking in a
- 9 vacuum. There is no reason to do it. I mean, I didn't do it,
- 10 so I don't really know of a reason why I could even give you to
- 11 do one.
- 12 Q. All right.
- 13 You had no probable cause to believe he was hiding
- 14 | anything in the crotch of his pants or inside his private area,
- 15 did you?
- 16 MR. BOLEY: Asked and answered and argumentative.
- 17 **THE COURT:** Objection overruled.
- 18 THE WITNESS: I did not believe he had anything
- 19 inside his pants.
- 20 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 21 **Q.** Okay.
- 22 | A. And further, when I searched I didn't feel anything, or so
- 23 | forth, to the exterior of his clothing that would lead me to
- 24 | believe that he had anything in his pants.
- 25 | Q. You also were not in a private area where it would have

- 1 been appropriate to do a strip search; is that right?
- 2 A. I don't know. I'm not sure. When you say "private area,"
- 3 we are in a backyard. I'm not sure. I know one didn't occur.
- 4 Q. So you don't know whether the area that you did the search
- 5 | incident to an arrest was a private area sufficient to do a
- 6 field strip search under the policies and practices of your
- 7 | department; is that your testimony?
- 8 **A.** Um, no.
- 9 **Q.** Okay.
- 10 A. I'm saying I would have to relook at the area again to see
- 11 | who has actual visibility to see where we are, to see if a
- 12 | strip search should or should not occur, if we are saying I
- 13 | should do a strip search.
- 14 **Q.** Okay.
- Did you write a report or documentation about this
- 16 | stop?
- 17 **A.** I did.
- 18 | Q. And very briefly, at -- would you please turn to Exhibit 6.
- 19 It's the orange book.
- 20 A. Oh.
- 21 | Q. Starting at the third page of Exhibit 6, which is Bates
- 22 | No. -- it's very hard to read -- looks like 4616.
- Do you see that?
- 24 | A. Are you referring to page 3 of 4 of my police report? Is
- 25 | that what you are referring to? Or am I just on a different

- 1 page than you?
- 2 Q. I'm referring to the front page of your police report.
- 3 **A.** Oh, okay.
- 4 | Q. At the very upper right-hand corner, it says "Vass, Exhibit
- 5 A"; do you see that?
- 6 **A.** I do.
- 7 | Q. This is the report that you wrote for the arrest of
- 8 Mr. Holmes?
- 9 **A.** It is.
- 10 Q. And how many pages is your report?
- 11 **A.** Four pages.
- 12 Q. All right.
- Now, I notice on the first two pages it says
- 14 | "reported by R. Vass."
- 15 **A.** Um-hmm.
- 16 **Q.** Is that right?
- 17 **A.** That's true.
- 18 **Q.** That's your handwriting, correct?
- 19 A. Does appear to be so.
- 20 Q. All right.
- 21 And then the last two pages are a typewritten
- 22 | narrative of what happened, correct?
- 23 A. That's true.
- 24 \ Q. Is that the narrative that you wrote up for the incident?
- 25 **A.** Yes, it is.

- 1 Q. Why does this say reported by R. Alcantar, A-1-c-a-n-t-a-r?
- 2 A. Just like I explained in the deposition, this is the form
- 3 report. The narrative, you know, you can just freely type in.
- 4 You have to actually click in that box to change that
- 5 information. So I know at certain periods of time, me and
- 6 Alcantar shared a computer, so I may have typed this out on the
- 7 same computer, but it appears that this was a template at one
- 8 point of his that I used.
- And I didn't click on that box because that's a box
- 10 | that stays constant because if you look on the following page,
- 11 | that box is still constant on that following page.
- 12 Q. So, actually, it says, "reported by Officer Alcantar," it
- 13 | was actually reported by you, correct?
- 14 A. That's true.
- 15 Q. So that's an error where it says Alcantar, correct?
- 16 A. That's true.
- 17 | Q. Probably because you were reusing an older report that
- 18 Officer Alcantar had typed out and left on the computer,
- 19 correct?
- 20 **A.** I would imagine. That's probably my best guess.
- 21 | Q. You did write over previously written reports by other
- 22 | officers around that time period, didn't you?
- 23 A. Yeah, I did.
- 24 | Q. All right.
- 25 The next incident I would like to ask you about

- 1 occurred, allegedly, at International and 94th Avenue.
- 2 **A.** Um-hmm.
- 3 Q. And this is the time that you pulled over a Yukon on
- 4 February 20, 2007, with Mr. Holmes in it.
- 5 Do you recall that?
- 6 **A.** I do.
- 7 | Q. And just to orient you a little bit more, the front page of
- 8 | Exhibit 6 is the field contact card we discussed earlier,
- 9 right?
- 10 **A.** Yes.
- 11 **Q.** That pertains to this incident, doesn't it?
- 12 A. It does.
- 13 Q. Where did you make this vehicle stop?
- 14 | A. 9400 block of East 14th Street, or International Boulevard.
- 15 | Same street.
- 16 Q. That's a very busy area, isn't it?
- 17 **A.** It is.
- 18 Q. East 14th Street/International Avenue is one of the main
- 19 | roads in the City of Oakland; is that right?
- 20 **A.** That's fairly accurate, yes.
- 21 Q. And were there a lot of people on the street at the time
- 22 you made this stop?
- 23 | A. I don't know if there was a lot of people. I mean, it's a
- 24 | thorough traffic fare, it's very feasible it could be.
- 25 Q. What time did the stop happen?

- 1 A. If I'm making out the numbers, it looks like 4:04. Mine's
- 2 | kind of faded, but that looks fairly accurate.
- 3 **Q.** 4:04 p.m.?
- 4 A. Right. It says 16:04, so it would be 4:04 p.m. Like I
- 5 said, that's what it appears it's written to me.
- 6 Q. And at the bottom, beneath the copy of the field contact
- 7 card, somebody has handwritten in some information. Do you see
- 8 that?
- 9 **A.** Yes.
- 10 Q. Do you know who wrote that in?
- 11 | A. No, I don't.
- 12 Q. Somebody handwrote in the date and what appears to be 10:00
- 13 o'clock. Do you see that?
- 14 A. Yeah, I do. I don't have an answer.
- 15 **Q.** Is it possible that this traffic stop happened at 10:00
- 16 o'clock.
- 17 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Calls for speculation.
- 18 **THE COURT:** Objection is overruled.
- 19 **THE WITNESS:** I don't believe so, actually.
- 20 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 21 Q. You said what?
- 22 A. I don't believe so.
- 23 | Q. Do you have an independent memory of the time of day that
- 24 it happened?
- 25 | A. I don't -- I know it happened after another -- this was

like a result of another -- of a sale. And I think it did 1 2 happen right around 4:00 o'clock in the afternoon. 3 All right. Since --4 Like I said, I didn't write that down below. 5 But your name appears on this field contact card? 6 It does. A.7 You were the officer that filled it out, correct? 8 I am. A. 9 That is your handwriting on this card? Yes, it is. 10 A . 11 MR. HADDAD: I would move for the admission of Plaintiff's Exhibit 6, which is a portion of the Internal 12 13 Affairs investigation. 14 MR. BOLEY: No objection. 15 THE COURT: And which pages are you referring to? 16 MR. HADDAD: Just the front page 4615. 17 THE COURT: 4615 is admitted. We'll call that --18 (Plaintiff's Exhibit 6-B was received in 19 evidence.) 20 6B, is that satisfactory? THE COURT: 21 MR. HADDAD: Okay. 22 THE COURT: Since it says Exhibit B at the top, we 23 might as well be consistent. 24 MR. HADDAD: We can go with that.

MR. BOLEY: Exhibit 6B?

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1 THE COURT: Yes.

- 2 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 3 Q. Officer, will you please help me read this writing a little
- 4 bit.
- 5 Under "date and time" on the card, what does it say?
- 6 A. It appears 2/10/07. And like I said, it looks like a copy
- 7 of a few copies.
- 8 **Q.** Yeah.
- 9 A. Based upon this, it's 2/10/07. And the time to the right,
- 10 it says 16:04.
- 11 | Q. And the next box, can you read in the name and the other
- 12 information there?
- 13 A. Last name is first, is Garibay, comma, Daniel. Male
- 14 | Hispanic -- sorry M, letter, H letter. And then, maybe 24.
- 15 **0.** Um-hmm.
- 16 For his address residence, what did you write?
- 17 | A. 451 105th Avenue. Wrote down his date of birth.
- 18 Do you want me to say each number?
- 19 Q. Please.
- 20 **A.** Date of birth, 5-14-82. His height is 5'11", weight 190.
- 21 | Black hair. Brown eyes. I think that's -- under complexion,
- 22 | it says medium. Looks like the PFN, which is hard to read, but
- 23 | it looks like boy, boy, V, as in Victor, and B at the end.
- On probation, looks like 10851, stolen vehicle. And
- 25 | it says he is driving. I listed the plate that he was driving,

- 1 | the plate numbers, and then the year, the make of the vehicle,
- 2 and so forth.
- 3 Q. Let's go to the substantive part.
- 4 **A.** Okay.
- 5 | Q. It says "in company with"; who was he with?
- 6 A. Last, Ortega, first, Salvador. DOB, looks like 04-26-86,
- 7 | with an address to the right of him of 9400 C Street.
- 8 And then the next person down is last of Holmes,
- 9 | first of Michael, with a DOB of 11/25/81. Looks like an
- 10 address of 9504 C Street.
- 11 | Q. And then the next box says, "explain reason for stop,
- 12 | findings, disposition"; what did you write there?
- 13 | A. Vehicle stop, no blinker. And then I had 976, which is our
- 14 | police jargon, if you will, a code for vehicle stop.
- 15 And we did a probation search of Holmes with
- 16 | negative results. FC, which is this form, field contact
- 17 | report, only. And then, of course, it goes down to the box
- 18 below.
- 19 **Q.** Okay.
- 20 So the reason that you wrote for the traffic stop
- 21 | was no blinker; is that right?
- 22 **A.** Yes.
- 23 | Q. Is that, in fact, the reason why you pulled over the Yukon?
- 24 A. It was, partly.
- 25 **Q.** Was there another reason that you didn't write down?

- 1 A. Yes. This was a ID wall stop for a federal investigation.
- 2 **Q.** What's that?

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A. Well, at the time there was a wiretap going on, not directly, of course, with Mr. Holmes, but there was a wiretap going on.

Salvador Ortega had sold drugs, had just sold drugs

to another person. And I don't know how much you want me to

get into this, but there was a phone call between Salvador

Ortega and -- I want to say his name is Jose Juan Penoza Juario

(phonetic). He was actually the subject of a wire

investigation, one of the subjects, one of the targets.

Salvador Ortega called him. I can't recall at that time if we knew it was Salvador or not. During the surveillance we learned it was Salvador, or they did, I wasn't on the surveillance.

Anyways, Salvador agrees to purchase drugs. They meet. I want to say the meet took place somewhere near 100th Avenue, International Boulevard, a few blocks away. Salvador is selling drugs to a person by the name of Eric Mays.

At that time, then Salvador gets in his car. I think maybe Michael Holmes was observed with him, not so much doing the drug transaction, but just there, maybe being involved, maybe not, I don't know, don't recall, but not as, we'll say, directly as Salvador was because Salvador placed a phone call.

Then we needed to do an ID stop of the vehicle to determine who they were. At the time, I wasn't -- the wiretap was ran out of San Francisco. I wasn't here at that point. I was just basically somewhat of a stop car, if you will, for this wiretap.

So how it works is, to protect the wire or the T3 investigation, the wiretap, you wall off certain parts of investigation from this from disclosing the wire. The wire is going to be going for probably a year or so, so you don't want to make that known or disclose it. So we did an ID stop to document the stop of who was actually with Salvador at that time.

Does that make sense?

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Why didn't you document the real reason for stopping was to do an ID stop?

- 17 | A. Because it's a matter of public record. We don't --
- 18 | Q. So instead, you wrote that it was a blinker violation?
- 19 A. There was a blinker violation. The probable cause was
- 20 there for the stop, yes, but you also protect the wire, and you
- 21 | wall this off from the wire itself. I don't know if that makes
- 22 sense.
- 23 **Q.** This describes a certain beat, what beat is that?
- 24 | A. Thirty-three x-ray, I believe.
- 25 **Q.** What location is that, what is the beat?

- 1 A. I believe it's 33 with an X.
- 2 Q. What does that mean?
- 3 A. Beat 33X. I don't know.
- 4 **Q.** What is beat 33?
- 5 A. It's -- I'm not sure exactly what you are saying.
- 6 **Q.** Can you define the boundaries of beat 33?
- 7 | A. The boundaries are from 83rd Avenue, would be -- we'll go
- 8 in true directions. Here would be the north. International
- 9 Boulevard would be the east. 98th Avenue would be the south.
- 10 And I believe San Leandro Boulevard is the west.
- 11 **Q.** Okay.
- Now, you detained Mr. Holmes in this vehicle stop;
- 13 | is that right?
- 14 A. He was one of the people detained, yes.
- 15 Q. What did you do to Mr. Holmes?
- 16 | A. Um, well in, fact, I didn't even realize it was Mr. Holmes
- 17 | originally until I walked up to the car.
- 18 As I'm walking up, somewhere around there I know my
- 19 | sergeant arrived on scene. I'm not sure if I waited for him to
- 20 | arrive because at some point I know he was right behind me. I
- 21 | went to Mr. Holmes first, back passenger, generally, the first
- 22 person to go to, anyways.
- I had him exit the car, did a quick search of him,
- 24 | not a strip search, a quick search. I may have even handcuffed
- 25 | him at that time, I don't recall. I ended up passing him off

- 1 to Sergeant Downum.
- 2 Q. Let me stop you there so I can follow up.
- 3 **A.** Okay.
- 4 | Q. You may or may not have handcuffed Michael Holmes when you
- 5 searched him in this incident; is that right?
- 6 A. That's true.
- 7 | Q. This is an incident where you believed he was associated
- 8 | with people who had just done a drug transaction, right?
- 9 **A.** Yes.
- 10 Q. Driving in a Yukon, right?
- 11 **A.** I'm not -- yeah.
- 12 **Q.** A Yukon SUV?
- 13 **A.** Yes.
- 14 **Q.** Yes?
- There was a possibility that one or more occupants
- 16 of that vehicle were armed; isn't that right?
- 17 A. I'd say it's a possibility, yes.
- 18 | Q. Why didn't you handcuff Mr. Holmes before searching him?
- 19 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Misstates the evidence.
- 20 **THE WITNESS:** You said why didn't I; I said I may
- 21 | have. I am not saying I did or I didn't.
- 22 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 23 | Q. Why are you unsure under those circumstances whether you
- 24 | handcuffed him before searching him?
- 25 **A.** Um, we were trying to do a low-key stop and ID of the

- 1 people in this vehicle.
- 2 Q. On any of the occasions that you've ever stopped or
- 3 arrested Michael Holmes, has he ever had a weapon?
- 4 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Relevance, Your Honor.
- 5 THE COURT: Objection is overruled.
- 6 THE WITNESS: I would say I don't recall ever
- 7 | arresting him specifically for a weapon. I will say this:
- 8 | That one of the probation searches I did of his house in the
- 9 | very beginning, there was a firearm in the house that his -- I
- 10 | think maybe grandma said that was related to, I want to say her
- 11 | husband that had passed away, or something. Besides that, I
- 12 don't really recall him being around a firearm. But, of
- 13 | course, drug dealers, yeah, he could have a firearm.
- 14 MR. HADDAD: I move to strike the reference to drug
- 15 dealer.
- 16 THE COURT: It is stricken.
- 17 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 18 Q. You've never recovered any sort of weapon from Michael
- 19 | Holmes at any time; isn't that true?
- 20 A. Yeah, I have not.
- 21 | Q. Can you describe the type of search that you did to
- 22 | Mr. Holmes on this incident?
- 23 | A. It was a quick pat -- I don't want to say pat search, but a
- 24 | quick search of him, and then I handed him off to Sergeant
- 25 Downum. It was not inside his pants, or anything of that

1 nature.

- 2 0. Where was that search done?
- 3 **A.** Right there at the vehicle.
- 4 | Q. In the street, on International Boulevard?
- 5 A. Right, on International Boulevard, sidewalk but --
- 6 Q. Were you driving alone in the police car at that time?
- 7 A. Yes, I was.
- 8 Q. The only other officer at the scene would have been
- 9 | Sergeant Downum; is that right?
- 10 A. To my knowledge, that is the only person that was there.
- 11 Q. So Sergeant Downum would have been dealing with the other
- 12 | two occupants in the car at the time you were dealing with
- 13 Mr. Holmes; is that right?
- 14 | A. Not quite, because I brought out Mr. Holmes first, I
- 15 | believe, gave him to Sergeant Downum, and we had the other
- 16 people exit the car. So I think he was still somewhat dealing
- 17 | with Mr. Holmes.
- 18 Now, I may have actually -- you know, I know at one
- 19 point Sergeant Downum then did look inside the car and located
- 20 a phone of Salvador Ortega's, and so I had custody of Michael
- 21 | Holmes for that period of time.
- 22 | Q. What was Sergeant Downum doing while you were searching
- 23 | Michael Holmes?
- 24 A. I believe he was somewhat behind me, maybe to my right,
- 25 | somewhere around there.

- 1 Q. But you might have searched Michael Holmes before Sergeant
- 2 Downum arrived on the scene, correct?
- 3 **A.** No.
- 4 **Q.** No?
- 5 **A.** No.
- 6 Q. Do you know whether or not Sergeant Downum saw your search
- 7 of Mr. Holmes on this incident?
- 8 A. He had to, he was standing right there.
- 9 **Q.** I thought you just said you weren't sure what he was doing when you were searching Michael Holmes?
- 11 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Misstates the testimony.
- 12 **THE COURT:** Objection is overruled.
- 13 THE WITNESS: Well, to say that I'm actually looking
- 14 | at him, what he is doing, I'm not. But I know he is right
- 15 there.
- 16 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 17 | Q. On this occasion in International Boulevard, did you
- 18 | unbutton Mr. Holmes' jeans, stick your hand inside, and run
- 19 | your hand between Mr. Holmes' buttocks on the outside of his
- 20 boxer shorts?
- 21 **A.** No.
- 22 | Q. Did you pull Mr. Holmes' waistband away from his body to
- 23 | see if anything fell out of his boxer shorts?
- 24 **A.** No. No.
- 25 | Q. Those things I just described would have constituted a

- 1 | strip search; is that right?
- 2 A. Definitely the jeans. Pulling his pants out or pulling, I
- 3 | think you said his underwear; is that what you said?
- 4 **0.** Yeah.
- 5 A. Kind of hard to say. I mean, if he is wearing maybe a long
- 6 | shirt over it, maybe not. I don't know.
- 7 | Q. If you rearrange a person's clothing so as to be able to
- 8 inspect or observe their underwear or privates, that's a strip
- 9 search, isn't it?
- 10 A. Yes. So that's why I said if he is wearing a long shirt,
- 11 kind of depends.
- 12 **Q.** Do you recall what kind of shirt he was wearing?
- 13 **A.** No, I don't.
- 14 | Q. Now, Mr. Holmes was only detained at that time, not
- 15 | arrested correct?
- 16 A. That's true.
- 17 | Q. And you understood that you were not justified in searching
- 18 | a person who was merely detained, right?
- 19 A. Wait, what's the question, now?
- 20 **Q.** You understood at the time that in order to strip search
- 21 | somebody in the field, they had to be under arrest?
- 22 **A.** Well --
- 23 MR. BOLEY: That misstates the testimony.
- 24 **THE COURT:** I could not understand the latter part
- 25 of that.

1 What did you say? 2 Misstates the testimony. MR. BOLEY: 3 THE COURT: Restate that question. 4 BY MR. HADDAD: 5 Isn't it true that to strip search a person in the field, 6 consistent with OPD policy at that time, they had to be under 7 arrest? 8 I think when I read the policy, I don't think that's what it says when I read the policy. 9 10 MR. HADDAD: Is it --11 Are you looking in your blue --THE COURT: 12 MR. HADDAD: Yeah, the blue book, Exhibit 14. 13 THE COURT: Um-hmm. 14 MR. HADDAD: Exhibit 14. 15 THE COURT: Um-hmm. 16 MR. HADDAD: I'm directing the witness to page 6 of 17 Exhibit 14. 18 BY MR. HADDAD: There is a heading at the bottom third of the page, it says 19 20 "Strip Searches in the Field"; do you see that? 21 I do. A. 22 And it says below that, "a strip search incident to an 23 arrest may be conducted in the field only when... and then it 24 describes the circumstances. Do you see that? 25 A. I do.

Q. 1 All right. So this policy pertains to strip searches 2 incident to an arrest; is that right? 3 What you are reading is correct. 4 If I may go back to a couple of pages, since you are 5 quoting this? 6 If that will be helpful for you, go ahead. 7 (Witness reviewing exhibit.) 8 BY MR. HADDAD: 9 Q. Do you see anything in this policy, Exhibit 14, that says 10 you are allowed to strip search a person who is only detained 11 rather than arrested? 12 A. For this particular spot that you are reading, I would say 13 no, but --14 MR. BURRIS: I'm sorry, I couldn't hear you. 15 sorry. 16 THE WITNESS: Still, actually, I was still reading. 17 MR. BURRIS: Sorry? I said, actually, I was still reading. 18 THE WITNESS: 19 MR. BURRIS: Oh, okay. Sorry. 20 I thought he was mumbling. 21 I probably was. THE WITNESS: 22 THE COURT: And so were you. 23 (Laughter.) 24 MR. BURRIS: Yeah, not allowed. 25 (Laughter.)

1 THE COURT: Can we get through this somehow? 2 (Laughter.) 3 Sorry, Your Honor. THE WITNESS: BY MR. HADDAD: 4 5 Officer, it's your duty to know this policy as an officer 6 with the OPD, isn't it? 7 MR. BOLEY: Your Honor, there is a question pending. He is reviewing the document. 8 9 THE COURT: I told him move it along. BY MR. HADDAD: 10 11 Have you found anything in this policy, after having a few 12 minutes to look at it, that says you can strip search a person 13 who is merely detained? A. Um, I would not say that, but I would say that a person on 14 15 probation or parole this section is vague on. And so it 16 really, you know, I can -- like I always say, well, I know what 17 my practice is, but going for this, a person on probation or parole, doesn't -- in this training bulletin is not covered, 18 19 does not appear to be covered under this section. 20 it's vague and ambiguous. And there is two different things 21 going on. 22 Q. All right. 23 Now, going back to the stop of Mr. Holmes and the Yukon, you would agree, wouldn't you, that you were not legally 24 25 justified to strip-search Mr. Holmes on that occasion?

- 1 MR. BOLEY: Asked and answered, Your Honor.
- 2 THE COURT: The objection is overruled.
- THE WITNESS: Well, you are putting in there
- 4 something that didn't occur. Are there other facts? You are
- 5 | apparently alluding to something that occurred, so now I'm
- 6 having to speculate on something else that occurred based
- 7 | upon -- I mean, no strip search occurred.
- 8 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 9 Q. And you would not have been legally justified to
- 10 strip-search Mr. Holmes under those circumstances; isn't that
- 11 true?
- Do you need the question read back?
- 13 A. No, I know the question. It's -- it's hard to answer that
- 14 | question in a vacuum with this. I mean --
- 15 | Q. So you think it's possible you could have been justified in
- 16 doing a strip search on Mr. Holmes on that occasion if you
- 17 wanted to?
- 18 A. With these facts alone, no.
- 19 Q. That's what I'm asking you about, these facts alone.
- 20 **A.** No.
- 21 Q. All right.
- You knew that at the time, didn't you?
- 23 | A. Honestly, it wasn't even -- I did know it, and it wasn't
- 24 even something to think about.
- 25 **Q.** Okay.

- I want to turn to the next incident. This one is
- 2 | alleged at 98th and E Street, involving Mr. Engram on
- 3 | January 16, 2007.
- 4 | A. I'm sorry, did you have a place where I was supposed to go
- 5 to? I was moving that other one around.
- 6 Q. Yeah, I'm sorry. You have too many -- let me have --
- 7 **A.** Which one you want?
- 8 0. That one.
- 9 I just want to direct your attention, in general, to
- 10 | this allegation. Are you familiar with the allegation by
- 11 | Mark Engram that you subjected him to a strip search on or
- 12 | about January 16, 2007 at 98th and D Street?
- 13 **A.** I'm sorry, you said 98th Ave. and D?
- 14 **Q.** Yeah.
- 15 A. Could be wrong, but I think Elmhurst and C or D.
- 16 **Q.** My mistake, let me rephrase that.
- 17 Are you familiar with the allegation of Mark Engram
- 18 | that you strip-searched him at Elmhurst and D Street on or
- 19 | about January 16, 2007?
- 20 **A.** I am. I do believe that the complaint said -- I'm sorry,
- 21 | Elmhurst and C, as in Charles?
- 22 **Q.** Um-hmm.
- 23 | A. Oh. But Elmhurst and D is the same block, general area.
- 24 **Q.** Okay.
- 25 And you understand that this is one of the

- 1 | complaints that was investigated by Internal Affairs; is that
- 2 right?
- 3 **A.** Yes, I do.
- 4 **Q.** Okay.
- 5 Do you recall detaining Mark Engram anywhere in the
- 6 vicinity of that location of Elmhurst and D around January 16,
- 7 2007?
- 8 A. No, I was on another operation with an arrest during that
- 9 time frame.
- 10 Q. On that particular date, you say that you are on a
- 11 different operation; is that right?
- 12 A. Yes, it's documented.
- 13 **Q.** Okay.
- 14 And specifically, by the late afternoon of
- 15 January 16, 2007, what were you doing?
- 16 A. Can you be specific on which time -- I got the date, I just
- 17 | don't have the specific time, like what time of day you are
- 18 referring to.
- 19 **Q.** Say, between 2:00 and 5:00 p.m.?
- 20 **A.** Um, at -- we were still dealing with the arrest from an
- 21 | arrest earlier in the day involving a vehicle chase, and so
- 22 forth.
- 23 Q. All right.
- 24 You have the orange book in front of you, do you?
- 25 A. I don't know, do I?

- 1 Q. Would you please turn to Exhibit 5, page 4642.
- 2 **A.** 4642?
- 3 **Q.** Yeah.
- 4 **A.** Okay.
- 5 Q. All right, this appears to be another CAD page with your
- 6 | name on it, right?
- 7 **A.** Just confirming, 4652, right?
- 8 **Q.** 4642.
- 9 **A.** Oh, -42. Thank you.
- 10 Yes.
- 11 **Q.** And this is January 16, 2007, right?
- 12 A. Yes, sir, it is.
- 13 | Q. Were you officer 8173 at that time?
- 14 A. No, I was not.
- 15 **Q.** Who was that, do you know?
- 16 A. Officer Todd Mork.
- 17 | Q. And he was your partner at that time, wasn't he?
- 18 A. Yes, he was.
- 19 Q. You would have been assigned to the same car with him on
- 20 | that day, right?
- 21 A. Yes, I was a passenger.
- 22 | Q. Do you recall ever leaving Officer Mork to work in a
- 23 different car that day?
- 24 A. No, I did not.
- 25 | Q. You would have been together with him all day; is that

right?

- A. Um, as I recall, there was some other operation late that
 evening, or something. So I can't really say for that part of
 it. But for the majority of the hours I was with sergeant --
- 5 or Officer Mork.
- 6 **Q.** Okay.
- Now, what was the major incident that you were involved in on that day?
- 9 A. Um, I'm trying to think of the person's name.
- 10 **Q.** We don't need the name, just the description of what it was.
- 12 A. I was on an arrest team for the Alameda County Task Force.
- 13 They had a search warrant along with -- for multiple
- 14 residences, as well as -- I think they had like an undercover
- 15 involved as well. And there was a suspect that was going to be
- 16 bringing multiple ounces of heroin.
- I think -- I believe they had surveillance on the subject, and anyways, we tried to make a vehicle stop on that subject, as you can see, at 11:25 hours at Baldwin and
- Hegenberger.
- 21 As I recall, the person drove through the Pak'nSave 22 parking lot, drove around city streets for a while, got on the 23 freeway. And granted, this is, you know, a high-speed vehicle 24 chase, lights and sirens on. We have a search warrant for
- 25 | multiple places.

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So anyways, we eventually lose him on the freeway. He gets off, I want to say at 23rd Avenue or 29th Avenue, but other units were involved with this vehicle chase at this time. So we end up having to turn around and come back. already taken into custody at that point. Then he was caught, and what did you do? I had to -- he ended up, I want to say crash -- I want to say he backed into or did something to another car trying to get away, so I ended up having to do a police map for that. had to also -- I think I ended up doing the tow for the car, so I had to wait for the tow truck because I remember being there when the tow truck came about. We had to retrace that area that we -- Alameda PD ended up, you know, actually physically taking the body. then went to, I want to say -- one of the people they had a search warrant for was somewhere around 96th and Cherry Street. We went over there, they had already made entry at that time, and so we hung around there for a little bit to see if they needed any help. I think we had to go back and retrace. then so -- that's kind of --THE COURT: You had to go back and what? THE WITNESS: Retrace. THE COURT: Retrace? THE WITNESS: Our routes. And so now it kind of gets to -- that is the arrest.

Now, you get to the Oakland Police Department policy, and so forth, of dealing with a report writing, retracing where you drove, and so forth, and then going back to the Eastmont substation, where we actually did write the report.

And one of the things -- this was actually quite a long case. So we had to get with Sergeant Downum, explain to him what was going on. He actually did an affirmative action report. So he had, you know, a lot of typing to kind of say what was going on, that we assisted Alameda County Task Force, we got -- had this big drug seizure, because, as we found out, County Task Force ended up going to a house. I think they got some large amount, like 11 pounds of heroin, something like that.

So we went back to where the County Task Force

Office is. We ended up getting their pictures to try to do

somewhat of a small but big presentation to kind of talk about
this case. So we were on this case for quite a bit of time.

- Q. How come this catalog doesn't document that you went to that Cherry Street address?
 - MR. BOLEY: Objection. Lack of foundation.
- **THE COURT:** Overruled.
- 22 You may answer the question.
- 23 BY MR. HADDAD:

- 24 | Q. Do you have any idea why?
- 25 A. Don't know.

- 1 THE COURT: You don't know?
- 2 THE WITNESS: It's very possible we didn't put --
- 3 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 4 | Q. Do you have any idea why this wouldn't document you went
- 5 back to the Alameda Task Force headquarters?
- 6 A. Honestly, it's not something you put on CAD.
- 7 | Q. Now, between 14:27 that day, which is 2:27 in the
- 8 afternoon --
- 9 **A.** What was the time?
- 10 Q. 14:27 to 21:19, there is nothing noted for you in the CAD.
- 11 Do you see that?
- 12 A. I do see that. I'm not sure what I would expect to see. I
- 13 mean, we were writing reports and doing all that administrative
- 14 stuff at that point. It's really not something you do on CAD.
- 15 **0.** Uh-huh.
- 16 And how do you know that's what you were doing at
- 17 | that point?
- 18 **A.** I remember being there forever dealing with this.
- 19 **Q.** Uh-huh.
- 20 Now, where did you do those reporting?
- 21 A. At my substation on 73rd Avenue.
- 22 | Q. And at what point were you there doing the reports?
- 23 **A.** Sorry, what point?
- 24 **Q.** Yeah, what time of the day were you there?
- 25 | A. It was all in conjunction with this -- all in conjunction

- 1 | after the arrest.
- 2 Q. What time did you get to the Eastmont substation?
- 3 A. I can't tell you what time I got there.
- 4 Q. You don't recall?
- 5 A. No, I don't recall, but I can -- I mean, it's all, you
- 6 know, in the time frame of going to Cherry and then doing all
- 7 | the paperwork. It was a lot of paperwork in the administrative
- 8 function of this.
- 9 **Q.** Where did you come from before going to the Eastmont
- 10 substation?
- 11 | A. I believe we came from that address somewhere at 96 and
- 12 | Cherry.
- 13 Q. Ninety-six and Cherry?
- 14 A. Right.
- 15 **Q.** How far away from Elmhurst and D is 96 and Cherry?
- 16 A. I don't know, maybe ten blocks. Hard to say. This is just
- 17 | a guess. If there is a map, we can say, but I'm not sure.
- 18 | Q. This is the area that you regularly were assigned, isn't
- 19 | it?
- 20 **A.** Well, not really. I mean, you are closer to 96 and -- it's
- 21 | truly at the -- like close to 96 and Bancroft, you know,
- 22 | Bancroft and now below International three, four streets, not
- 23 really.
- 24 Q. At any time on January 16, 2007, did you stop Mark Engram
- 25 and question him?

- 1 A. You said January 16th?
- 2 **Q.** Yeah.
- 3 **A.** No.
- 4 Q. Mark Engram alleges that on that date, in the vicinity of
- 5 | Elmhurst and D Street, you pulled his pants down to his thighs,
- 6 | put one hand in between his boxer shorts and jeans next to
- 7 crack of his buttocks and then ran your bare hand up and down
- 8 the crack of Mr. Engram's buttocks.
- 9 Did you do that?
- 10 **A.** No.
- 11 Q. Would you have been justified at any time during the day of
- 12 January 16th, '07, in doing that to Mr. Engram?
- 13 | MR. BOLEY: Objection. Calls for speculation.
- 14 THE COURT: Objection overruled.
- 15 **THE WITNESS:** You asked me?
- 16 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 17 Q. Would you have been justified?
- 18 | A. No. Justified? I wouldn't run my bare hand down there --
- 19 it's --
- 20 **Q.** And you certainly would not have been justified in doing
- 21 | that kind of thing to Mr. Engram in view of people on the
- 22 | street, correct?
- 23 A. Yeah, I wouldn't have done that.
- 24 | Q. All right.
- 25 Have you heard people on the street in Oakland refer

1 to a particular type police strip search as a "credit card 2 search" or a "credit card swipe"? 3 No. A.4 Have you ever heard people in Oakland refer to certain 5 police strip searches as a "butt crack search"? 6 No. A . 7 MR. HADDAD: Before we move on, I move to admit this 8 single page from Exhibit 5, the CAD notes at page 4642. 9 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Lack of foundation, Your 10 Honor. 11 THE COURT: Just 4642? 12 MR. HADDAD: Yes. 13 THE COURT: 4642 is admitted. (Plaintiff's Exhibit 4642 was received in 14 15 evidence.) 16 MR. HADDAD: Was that admitted, Your Honor? 17 sorry. 18 THE COURT: Yes. 19 MR. HADDAD: Thank you. 20 BY MR. HADDAD: Q. Now, if you turn to page 4621, Officer Vass, is this the 21 report for that high-speed chase incident that you just 22 23 described in detail? 24 It appears to be it. 25 MR. HADDAD: And for the record, this is part of

Exhibit 5, the Internal Affairs report. 1 BY MR. HADDAD: 2 3 Do you see any report prepared by you in connection with 4 this incident? 5 How far do you want me to go back? 6 To the end of the report for this incident. Q. (Witness flipping through documents.) 7 8 It appears -- I'm to the end; I don't THE WITNESS: 9 see the report that I wrote. I do know that, of course, when I was -- contacted 10 11 by Internal Affairs they showed me, of course, the map that I wrote. At that same time, I know Officer Mork wrote a 12 13 narrative report that went in conjunction with this. 14 don't quite know what to say. 15 Since the time of this Orozco incident, have you seen your 16 report? 17 I believe I was shown during -- in the Internal Affairs investigation my map, but beyond that, no. 18 19 Okay. 0. 20 So is it possible that you're mistaken about having written a report? Maybe you didn't write it? 21 22 A. You are referring to a map, correct? 23 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Calls for speculation. 24 Argumentative.

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1 BY MR. HADDAD:

- 2 Q. Did you write a report or just a map for the Orozco
- 3 incident?
- 4 | A. I did the map, Officer Mork did the narrative to explain
- 5 | that chase and everything else.
- 6 Q. Oh, all right.
- 7 And from the first page of the Orozco incident
- 8 report, 4621, that's the page number, according to this report,
- 9 the suspect was arrested on January 16, 2007, at 12:30 p.m.; is
- 10 | that right?
- 11 A. That's what it says.
- 12 Q. Do you have any reason to dispute that?
- 13 A. No, but once again, that's the arrest versus -- doesn't say
- 14 | what time the tow -- because I waited for the tow truck -- what
- 15 | time the tow truck left, what time I arrived at Cherry. All
- 16 | those things kind of add up plus the administrative process.
- 17 Q. Do you know who Percy Jones is?
- 18 **A.** I would say, somewhat.
- 19 | Q. What do you know about him?
- 20 **A.** I was made aware that he is apparently a witness to this
- 21 | case. Beyond that, I really don't know anything particular
- 22 | about him.
- 23 | Q. Have you ever talked with him, to your recollection?
- 24 | A. I don't know what he looks like, so I'm not sure.
- 25 Q. Do you think you have ever arrested him or detained him?

- 1 A. Like I said, I have never seen his face. I have no idea.
- 2 | Q. All right.
- Now I want to direct your attention to the claim
- 4 | made by Richard Rix at C Street and 92nd Avenue. Are you
- 5 | familiar with the allegations in that claim?
- 6 A. It's been a while since I've read it.
- 7 Q. Let me jog your memory.
- 8 **A.** Okay.
- 9 Q. The allegation by Mr. Rix is in approximately late fall
- 10 2005, you made a vehicle stop of Mr. Rix in the driveway of an
- 11 | apartment. He had no driver's license. He begged you not to
- 12 take his car.
- 13 You detained Mr. Rix in handcuffs for several
- 14 | minutes and searched Mr. Rix's car. Mr. Rix said that you
- 15 strip-searched him twice, pulling down his pants and boxer
- 16 underwear. And then squatting behind him, you pulled apart his
- 17 | buttocks and inspected his anus. And Mr. Rix says that you
- 18 released him at the scene with no citation and no documentation
- 19 of this contact.
- 20 Did you strip-search Mr. Rix, as he has alleged in
- 21 | the late fall of 2005 near an apartment?
- 22 **A.** No.
- 23 | Q. Do you recall ever stopping Mr. Rix in his car at that
- 24 location, C Street and 92nd?
- 25 **A.** No, I do not.

1 Q. Okay. 2 Have you ever performed a strip search at any time 3 of Mr. Rix? 4 No. 5 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Relevance. 6 THE COURT: Objection overruled. BY MR. HADDAD: 7 8 Have you ever performed a strip search at any time of 9 Mr. Engram? 10 A . No. 11 Have you ever performed a strip search at any time of 12 Mr. Holmes? 13 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Relevance. 14 THE COURT: Objection overruled. 15 THE WITNESS: No, sir. 16 BY MR. HADDAD: 17 Whenever you have performed a strip search of anyone, have you always documented it, as required by your department's 18 19 policies? 20 Objection. Relevance, Your Honor. MR. BOLEY: 21 Objection is overruled. THE COURT: 22 THE WITNESS: Yes. 23 BY MR. HADDAD: 24 Now, you mentioned you recalled a contact with Michael 25 Holmes at -- strike that.

At MacArthur and -- let me rephrase this again. 1 2 You mentioned you recalled a contact with Michael 3 Holmes at MacArthur and 109th, do you recall that? 4 I do. A.5 And approximately when was that? Q. 6 I believe it was 2006. A. 7 Have you located --Q. 8 MR. BOLEY: Your Honor, object on grounds of 9 relevance as to this incident, which is not alleged in the 10 complaint. 11 THE COURT: Is this one that is alleged? 12 MR. HADDAD: It's not alleged specifically in the 13 complaints, but this is for impeachment, Your Honor. He opened 14 the door when he said he has never strip-searched Michael 15 Holmes, and there will be a witness who will testify to observing that. 16 17 Again, Your Honor --MR. BOLEY: You are talking about Rix, now? 18 THE COURT: 19 MR. BURRIS: No, Holmes. 20 THE COURT: We're back to Holmes again? 21 MR. HADDAD: Yeah. 22 THE COURT: Okay. 23 Your Honor, again, there should be some MR. BOLEY: 24 limit in terms of how far we go into these incidents when they 25 go beyond the scope of the complaint.

- 1 THE COURT: The objection, insofar as it relates to
- 2 Holmes, is overruled.
- 3 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 4 Q. So at MacArthur and 109th, there is a Church's Chicken
- 5 located there, isn't there?
- 6 A. Well, it's down on the street.
- 7 | Q. Where is it, 108th Street and MacArthur, approximately?
- 8 A. It appears so. I would say it's north, you know, true
- 9 north from that location, maybe a block or two.
- 10 Q. All right.
- 11 What do you recall about the stop that you made of
- 12 | Michael Holmes at that approximate location, MacArthur and
- 13 | 109th or 108th?
- 14 A. Well, actually, was 109th, it wasn't 108th.
- 15 **Q.** What do you recall about that?
- 16 | A. It was during the time frame that we were doing the federal
- 17 | wiretap. We knew that Michael Holmes was going -- I want to
- 18 | say somewhere on 109th Avenue, above like the 2600 block, which
- 19 is above MacArthur. And we knew that there was some drug
- 20 | dealing association with that apartment there.
- 21 And at that time -- I'm trying to remember; I don't
- 22 | think we had it narrowed down to which one at that point. But
- 23 | nonetheless, so we knew he was doing some narcotics activity,
- 24 | probably Salvador as well, as I recall, in that particular
- 25 | area. I don't think we quite narrowed it down.

As we were driving, not looking for him, per se, but we are just driving, I see Holmes walking. I think he had just turned the corner on 109th Avenue from MacArthur. And if I can use the Oakland directions to help me out, it would be the northwest corner. He was walking. He observed me, I think I was with Officer Leal, L-e-a-l.

He observed us. I'm not even sure if he necessarily recognized me so much as just seeing the police car right there, and he appeared very startled. He was on probation, I did recall this. And, of course, we had this -- with this narcotic activity going on in this block.

Contacted him, trying to figure out more information, trying to pinpoint an address or what he was -- what his association was in that area for the narcotic activity. We also detained him. I don't recall, honestly, putting him in handcuffs, but I think I did.

Q. Um-hmm.

A. Detained him as part of his probation. And I remember I asked him what he was doing here, how did he get here, some of those kind of questions to try to get some information.

Part of the questions I remember is he said he was walking, and he -- I remember he said he did not have a car or anything else in this area; well, as we do a probation search of him, I remember I found a key that ended up working to a car, like, I don't know, maybe 30 or so feet up the street.

- 1 And it was on the east-hand side of the street.
- 2 Q. How did you find out that the key you recovered from
- 3 Michael Holmes at that time worked on a car?
- 4 A. I'm not sure if it had a fob or -- I remember eventually
- 5 | trying -- we actually did do a search of the car. I'm not sure
- 6 | if it was the only Chrysler on the block. I know he was
- 7 driving that car for a while. It's a Chrysler 300, as I
- 8 | recall, silver in color. I'm not quite sure, but nonetheless,
- 9 we did go and search the car.
- 10 Q. All right.
- 11 And in order to locate the car, did you drive --
- 12 drive down on the street or walk down the street by pressing
- 13 the key fob to see if the locks opened?
- 14 | A. Like I said, I don't recall how we actually physically got
- 15 | to the car, but I do know that we did locate the car, and this
- 16 car was associated with him.
- 17 | Q. You may have driven to it; is that what you are saying?
- 18 | A. I don't believe so. I don't have a great answer for you.
- 19 | It's just I don't believe so.
- 20 **Q.** So what happened after you got to that car? You searched
- 21 | it?
- 22 A. Yes, we did.
- 23 | Q. Did you search Michael Holmes in this incident?
- 24 A. I did search him, yes.
- 25 **Q.** Where?

- 1 A. At the corner of 109 and MacArthur.
- 2 Q. 109 and MacArthur?
- 3 A. Yes, the northwest corner.
- 4 | Q. Specifically, where was he when you searched him?
- 5 **A.** On the sidewalk.
- 6 Q. And what kind of search did you do?
- 7 A. Search very consistent with the search incident to arrest,
- 8 although it was probation. Did not go into his clothing,
- 9 exterior only, but I did search him.
- 10 | Q. Did you pull his pant down, no?
- 11 A. Absolutely not.
- 12 Q. Did you do a strip search of him at that time?
- 13 | A. Absolutely not.
- 14 | Q. There were lots of people around at the time that you do
- 15 recall the search that you described; is that right?
- 16 **A.** No, at that point I don't recall seeing anybody around.
- 17 When I got to the car -- and he had actually so many things in
- 18 | the car, we actually had to remove things from the car. There
- 19 | was people starting to show up at that point.
- 20 | Q. Did you search Michael Holmes near where you found the car
- 21 | that worked with his key?
- 22 | A. Are you referring to other than what you just described?
- 23 | Are you saying that that was close proximity to it?
- 24 Q. Did you do another search by the car?
- 25 **A.** I don't recall doing another search with a car.

- 1 | Q. How far away from where you did describe the search did you
- 2 find Michael Holmes' car?
- 3 A. I think I already kind of said, it was up the street, maybe
- 4 | 30 feet, or so.
- 5 **Q.** Did you --
- 6 A. And that's just a guess. Trying to remember.
- 7 | Q. So was Officer Leal also involved in the stop with you?
- 8 A. Yes, he was.
- 9 Q. Did the two of you document this in any way?
- 10 **A.** Yeah, actually, we did.
- 11 | Q. Where is the documentation?
- 12 A. I don't know. That was actually one of the things that I
- 13 was looking for prior to coming, was that stop.
- 14 \ Q. Did you fill out a stop data form for that, too?
- 15 | A. I don't have specific recollection of doing a stop data
- 16 | form, but I can say I always try to do them.
- 17 | Q. Did that happen in the summertime?
- 18 A. I believe so. Not a hundred percent, I believe. But I
- 19 believe there was a span that it could have been.
- 20 | Q. Now, another contact with Michael Holmes that you recalled
- 21 | was doing a probation search on him at the location of his
- 22 | house, 9504 C Street, do you recall that?
- 23 | A. Yeah. Originally, I had not recalled that, but, you know,
- 24 of course, thinking about this case more and more, that was one
- 25 of the cases that kind of came to me.

- 1 Q. When did that happen?
- 2 A. It was probably, I don't really know if I can give a date.
- 3 It was more in the beginning of seeing Mr. Holmes. I don't
- 4 really know.
- 5 Q. Does 2004 sound like the time frame that that search would
- 6 have happened?
- 7 | A. Maybe '05, maybe '04, somewhere around there, I would say.
- 8 Q. And where did you do this probation search of Mr. Holmes
- 9 | near his house?
- 10 A. In his house.
- 11 Q. In his house?
- 12 **A.** Yes.
- 13 Q. Inside the building of his house?
- 14 | A. Right. His grandma was there. I believe that's his
- 15 grandma. She was there.
- 16 | Q. Did you ever search Michael Holmes at the side of his house
- 17 outdoors?
- 18 A. No -- just to clarify, I didn't say strip search, I said
- 19 probation search in his house invoking a search condition.
- 20 | Q. I understand.
- 21 Is there sufficient privacy to conduct a strip
- 22 search, if you want to do one, at the side of Michael Holmes'
- 23 | house at 9504 C Street?
- 24 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Calls for speculation.
- 25 THE COURT: You may testify, if you know, if you are

- 1 familiar with the area.
- 2 THE WITNESS: I know. I don't recall what
- 3 particular -- that yard is.
- 4 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 5 | Q. All right, do you recall stopping Michael Holmes at
- 6 approximately International and 103rd Avenue, where there is a
- 7 | little strip mall?
- 8 A. I've never stopped him there. I know the mall you are
- 9 | talking about, but I never stopped him there.
- 10 | Q. There is a detail shop across the street, are you familiar
- 11 | with that location? A rim shop. Sorry.
- 12 A. Yeah, that sounds familiar. I mean, I know the location.
- 13 Didn't occur.
- 14 Q. So it's your testimony that you have never stopped Michael
- 15 | Holmes in that parking lot of that strip mall at International
- 16 and 103rd, correct?
- 17 A. That's correct.
- 18 0. And I take -- strike that.
- 19 Did you ever strip-search Michael Holmes in the
- 20 parking lot of that strip mall?
- 21 **A.** No.
- 22 | Q. Have you ever referred to any member of the public in the
- 23 | City of Oakland -- strike that.
- 24 Have you ever referred to people in a house that you
- 25 were searching by the derogatory name for an African-American

1	that starts with "N"?
2	MR. BOLEY: Objection. Relevance, Your Honor.
3	THE COURT: Objection sustained.
4	THE WITNESS: No.
5	THE COURT: You don't have to answer.
6	THE WITNESS: Oh, sorry.
7	MR. HADDAD: Your Honor, I would just request the
8	ability to ask him the question about whether he has used this
9	word in public to show intent and bias. And I believe it's
10	admissible under <u>Price versus Kramer</u> .
11	MR. BOLEY: Your Honor, it's not an element of the
12	cause of action.
13	THE COURT: Do you have any proffer?
14	MR. HADDAD: Yes. There is an Internal Affairs
15	complaint at Plaintiff's Exhibit 9, I believe, where it was
16	alleged by the complainant that Officer Vass did just that, he
17	referred to people in a house by the "N" word.
18	MR. BOLEY: Well, Your Honor
19	THE COURT: Hold on. Just one moment.
20	MR. BOLEY: Sure.
21	THE COURT: Nine? Page, line, whatever we have?
22	MR. HADDAD: Sorry, it's not Exhibit 9, it's Exhibit
23	10 at page 7496. It's the first page of Exhibit 10.
24	THE COURT: First page of Exhibit 10?
25	MR. HADDAD: Yeah. And it's the first two lines of

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"Summary of Complaint."
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                THE COURT: Can we tell who the officer is? Because
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     it refers to "officers."
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                MR. BOLEY: Yeah. And, Your Honor, farther back,
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     there is a report related to -- in which many officers were
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     involved in the incident.
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                MR. HADDAD: The subject of this complaint is
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     Officer Vass.
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                THE COURT: But it says "complainant alleged
     officers..." et cetera.
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                MR. HADDAD: It says below in the next box,
     "tentative name of involved personnel," and it only lists
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     Officer Vass.
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                MR. BOLEY: But that is not a record of a complaint.
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                THE COURT:
                            I'm going to sustain the objection.
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     BY MR. HADDAD:
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        Officer Vass, do you recall on December 1, 2004, at 9409 C
     Street, reaching into a man's pants to recover alleged drugs at
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     the request of another officer named Officer Sayna (phonetic).
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                            Objection. Relevance, Your Honor.
                MR. BOLEY:
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                THE COURT:
                            Objection is overruled.
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                You may answer.
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                THE WITNESS: I don't know.
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     BY MR. HADDAD:
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         You don't recall?
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- 1 A. No, I don't.
- 2 Q. Would you turn to Plaintiff's Exhibit 10, page 7557,
- 3 please.
- 4 A. Is it in this --
- 5 Q. Same -- oh, sorry, I'll get it for you.
- 6 A. What was the section?
- 7 (Counsel confer regarding exhibit number.)
- 8 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 9 Q. Did you find the page?
- 10 **A.** I did.
- 11 | Q. All right.
- 12 This appears to be a report written by
- 13 Officer Sayna, do you see that?
- 14 A. Yeah, it does appear to be.
- 15 | Q. Now, in the last paragraph it -- I'm just going to put this
- 16 on the ELMO because I've highlighted it, so it will make it
- 17 | easier to ask you about it.
- In the last paragraph, first two lines it says,
- 19 | "After the residence was secure, I asked Officer R. Vass'
- 20 assistance in recovering the plastic bag from Walker's
- 21 underwear."
- 22 **A.** Um-hmm.
- 23 Q. "I pulled Walker's pants down slightly, and R. Vass
- 24 recovered the evidence."
- Do you see that?

- 1 **A.** I do.
- 2 Q. Does that refresh your memory? Do you recall doing that
- 3 now?
- 4 A. Honestly, not really, but --
- 5 Q. And you wrote a report about it, too.
- 6 Why don't you turn to page 7553 and 7554.
- 7 A. I'm sorry, your --
- 8 Q. A couple pages back, 7553.
- 9 This is your report, right?
- 10 | A. Right, it's my report with a lot of people writing
- 11 | supplemental reports on it. It was a surveillance.
- 12 **Q.** Okay.
- But this has your name at the bottom, right?
- 14 | A. If I can find that report, I'll tell you for sure.
- 15 You said 753?
- 16 **0.** 7553.
- 17 | A. All right, I have it. Yes, it's my report.
- 18 **Q.** All right, last paragraph on that 753.
- 19 **A.** Um-hmm.
- 20 Q. Do you see where you wrote, "While I was inside the
- 21 | residence, I was told by Officer Sayna that he witnessed,
- 22 | Walker, comma, Craig, place a Baggie of suspected cocaine into
- 23 the crotch area of his pants.
- 24 "I recovered one plastic Baggie which contained 18
- 25 | individually wrapped in plastic pieces of suspected base

cocaine, Evidence Item No. 2 from Walker's front crotch area." 1 2 That is what you wrote in your report, isn't it? 3 Yes. A.4 Does that refresh your memory about that incident? 5 Vaguely, but it does a little bit. 6 Now, at the time that you reached in and pulled out the 7 drugs from Walker's front crotch area, he was already 8 handcuffed by Officer Sayna, correct? 9 Yes, he was. 10 Um --Q. 11 Well, he was handcuffed. I don't necessarily know about saying it was Officer Sayna, but he was handcuffed. 12 13 Can you think of any reason why Officer Sayna needed your 14 help to get these drugs back from Craig Walker? 15 MR. BOLEY: Calls for speculation. 16 THE COURT: Objection sustained. 17 I know --THE WITNESS: The objection is sustained. 18 THE COURT: 19 THE WITNESS: Okay. Sorry. 20 BY MR. HADDAD: 21 Do you have any personal enjoyment about strip-searching 22 people? 23 Objection. Argumentative, Your Honor. MR. BOLEY: 24 Objection sustained. THE COURT:

MR. HADDAD: Your Honor, this goes to motive.

1 MR. BOLEY: Well, Your Honor, motive isn't an 2 element of the cause of action. 3 THE COURT: Objection is sustained. 4 MR. HADDAD: Okay. 5 BY MR. HADDAD: 6 Do you recall arresting a man named Caesar Johnson? 7 I do. A. 8 And that was in March 2005, right? 9 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Relevance, Your Honor. Objection is overruled. 10 THE COURT: 11 THE WITNESS: I don't know the date, but I know I 12 have participated in arresting him. BY MR. HADDAD: 13 14 Do you recall he was arrested for reckless driving? 15 Yes, he was. 16 He wasn't arrested for any drug-related offense on that 17 occasion, was he? 18 A.No. 19 And you were the one who took him to the jail; is that 20 right? 21 It's probable. It's possible. I don't really recall. 22 Q. All right. 23 Now, do you recall taking him to the jail and

requesting that the jailers perform a strip search of Caesar

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Johnson?

- 1 **A.** No.
- 2 Q. Do you recall assisting in any strip search of Caesar
- 3 | Johnson at the jail?
- 4 A. No.
- 5 Q. Can you think of any reason why jailers would need your
- 6 assistance to strip search somebody at the jail?
- 7 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Calls for speculation.
- 8 THE COURT: And this is taking us into the jail,
- 9 which is a custodial situation. Seems to me that is taking it
- 10 | far removed from the street.
- 11 MR. HADDAD: Again, we are offering it to show
- 12 | motive, Your Honor, that this man is a person who puts himself
- 13 | in positions where he is able to strip-search people when he is
- 14 | really not needed to do that. And it goes to show his intent
- 15 and motive of why he would do these things alleged by the
- 16 | plaintiffs.
- 17 THE COURT: Well, the objection is sustained. I
- 18 | think it's far afield.
- 19 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 20 **Q.** Do you know Richard Rix's nickname, or street name?
- 21 **A.** I do.
- 22 **Q.** What's that?
- 23 **A.** Bobo, B-o-b-o.
- 24 Q. Have you reviewed other Internal Affairs files of
- 25 complaints about you conducting strip searches related to this

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action?
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                            Objection. Relevance, Your Honor.
                MR. BOLEY:
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                            Objection is overruled.
                THE COURT:
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                              Like I said, just vaguely.
                THE WITNESS:
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     BY MR. HADDAD:
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         Do you recall reviewing one by a complainant whose name was
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     unidentified because it was redacted who complained about being
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     strip-searched by you on one occasion while he was with Bobo at
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     98th Avenue and B Street, "pants down, cheeks spread again."
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                Do you recall that?
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                MR. BOLEY:
                            Objection. Relevance, Your Honor.
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                THE COURT:
                            Objection overruled.
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                THE WITNESS: I don't recall that, no.
     BY MR. HADDAD:
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         Okay.
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                Did you ever strip-search Bobo at 98th Avenue and B
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     Street with his pants down and his cheeks spread?
         No, I did not.
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     A.
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         Have you ever had a complaint about a strip search
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     sustained against you?
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                MR. BOLEY:
                            Objection. Relevance, Your Honor.
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                            Objection overruled.
                THE COURT:
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                You may answer.
                THE WITNESS: I don't believe so.
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BY MR. HADDAD:

- Q. Do you recall that the Citizens Police Review Board
 sustained a complaint of improper strip search against you in
- 4 | connection with the Dynami McCree incident?
- 5 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Relevance, Your Honor.
- 6 THE COURT: Objection overruled.
- 7 THE WITNESS: I'm not quite sure. I know that they
- 8 | had -- they had something in regards to something of that. I
- 9 don't recall exactly what they were.
- 10 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 11 **Q.** Okay.
- Now, you were the subject of the Internal Affairs
- 13 complaint filed by Mr. McCree's mother after his death, weren't
- 14 you?
- 15 A. I don't know who filed it, but I know that I had to go to
- 16 the CPRB. I was summoned to it. I don't really know.
- 17 | Q. Would you turn to Plaintiff's Exhibit 12 at the first page,
- 18 please.
- 19 **A.** Sure.
- 20 **Q.** Are you there?
- 21 **A.** I am.
- 22 | Q. Do you see at the bottom of the first page where it says
- 23 | "Allegations as to an Officer"?
- 24 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Lack of foundation.
- 25 MR. HADDAD: I'm asking if he sees it right now.

BY MR. HADDAD: 1 2 "Allegation one: The officer conducted an improper search 3 of Mr. McCree at the front of the house." Do you see that? 4 MR. BOLEY: I'm just objecting. There has been no 5 foundation made as to what this document is. 6 THE COURT: The question is whether he sees it, 7 okay? 8 BY MR. HADDAD: 9 Do you see that part? 10 I do. A.11 You are the one that searched Mr. McCree at the front of that house during that incident, aren't you? 12 13 Yes, I am. A . And do you see the finding of the Citizens Police Review 14 15 Board that the finding was sustained. Do you see that just 16 below? 17 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Relevance and lack of foundation. 18 Objection is overruled. THE COURT: Um, it is sustained, but it doesn't THE WITNESS:

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- 21 say in front of the house, it says in public.
- BY MR. HADDAD: 22
- 23 Okay.
- So the Citizens Police Review Board sustained a 24 25 complaint against you for conducting a search in public; is

- 1 that right?
- 2 A. That's true.
- 3 Q. Were you ever disciplined by your department in any way in
- 4 | connection with this sustained CPRB complaint?
- 5 MR. BOLEY: Objection. Relevance, especially at
- 6 | this stage of the proceedings, Your Honor.
- 7 THE COURT: Objection is overruled.
- 8 THE WITNESS: Repeat the question, please.
- 9 BY MR. HADDAD:
- 10 Q. Were you ever disciplined by your department in any way in
- 11 | connection with this sustained CPRB complaint?
- 12 **A.** No.
- 13 **Q.** Were you ever provided additional or supplemental training
- 14 by your department in connection with this sustained finding by
- 15 the CPRB?
- 16 **A.** No.
- 17 **Q.** Okay.
- 18 MR. HADDAD: That's all we have at this time.
- 19 MR. BOLEY: Your Honor, I reserve my questions until
- 20 our case in chief.
- 21 | THE COURT: And you intend not to ask any questions
- 22 | at this time not just because of the hour, but because you are
- 23 reserving?
- 24 MR. BOLEY: Yes, that's correct, Your Honor.
- 25 **THE COURT:** Okay.

1	Well, you see what the hour is, 4:00 o'clock.
2	MS. SHERWIN: Your Honor, we do have Renee Glenn,
3	who has been here much of the day. And I don't anticipate she
4	will be very long. I would request that we just get her on and
5	off. She has to work tomorrow.
6	MS. ROSEN: Well, we have to cross-examine her as
7	well, Your Honor.
8	MR. BURRIS: That won't take long.
9	MS. SHERWIN: She's the mother of Mark Engram,
10	and
11	THE COURT: I can appreciate that, but I ran this
12	from 9:00 to 4:00 for a reason. And it's sort of like, I have
13	500 other cases on my calendar, and they stack up in there
14	while I'm spending all day in here, so that I, you know, have
15	to get to other work.
16	MR. BURRIS: Could we bring her in quick and order
17	her to come back?
18	MS. SHERWIN: Could the Court at least order her to
19	come back so she won't have problems with her
20	THE COURT: Yes, certainly. I would be happy to do
21	that.
22	You may step down. Do not discuss your testimony
23	with any other persons who may be witnesses.
24	(Witness steps down.)
25	THE COURT: And if we wouldn't waste our time on so

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many objections that don't amount to a hill of beans, such as
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     speaks for itself, things like that, you know? We could save a
     lot of time.
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                MR. BOLEY:
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                            Speaks for itself is no objection, okay?
                THE COURT:
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                MR. BOLEY: I think I made two or three of those,
     Your Honor.
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                            Yes, you did.
                THE COURT:
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                MR. BOLEY:
                            Your Honor --
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                MR. BURRIS: Times ten.
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                MR. BOLEY: No, I think I made two or three of
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     those.
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                THE COURT: You made some of those totally useless
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     objections.
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                MR. NISENBAUM: I'll have to remember that for
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     depositions.
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                THE COURT: It's not the best evidence.
                         (Ms. Glenn enters courtroom.)
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                THE COURT: Could you have Ms. Glenn come forward.
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                MR. BURRIS: Ms. Glenn, come forward, please.
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                         (Witness steps forward.)
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                THE COURT: Good afternoon, Ms. Glenn. I'm sorry
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     you have had to wait, but some of these things take a while.
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     And sometimes testimony takes longer than we expect.
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                What hours do you work?
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1	MS. GLENN: I work from I have flexible hours,
2	but tomorrow I work from actually, I have to go in and talk
3	to my boss tomorrow. But right now, I'm not working at this
4	time tomorrow in the morning.
5	THE COURT: Um-hmm.
6	MR. BURRIS: Good.
7	THE COURT: Okay.
8	MS. GLENN: But I need to talk to her before I come
9	in the morning.
10	THE COURT: What time can you talk to her in the
11	morning?
12	MS. GLENN: Probably about 10:00 o'clock, 11:00,
13	something like that.
14	THE COURT: What time do you need to talk with her
15	in the morning?
16	MS. GLENN: Probably about 10:00 or 11:00.
17	And then I have to go to my other job by 2:15.
18	THE COURT: What time can you be here?
19	MS. GLENN: How about, maybe 10:00 o'clock? And
20	I'll just call my job and let them know, the 2:00 o'clock job,
21	that I can't make it.
22	THE COURT: Okay, or that you will be a little late.
23	MS. GLENN: Yes.
24	THE COURT: How long will you be with her on direct?
25	MS. SHERWIN: Possibly 10 minutes.

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And cross?
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                THE COURT:
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                            Probably about the same, 10 or 15.
                MS. ROSEN:
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                            Could you get here at 9:00 o'clock in
                THE COURT:
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     the morning, do you think? And then we can get you on and off
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     and out of here before 10:00 o'clock.
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                MS. GLENN:
                            Okay.
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                THE COURT:
                            Would that work?
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                MS. GLENN:
                            Yes.
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                THE COURT: Okay, so then you be back here tomorrow
     morning at 9:00 o'clock.
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                And if there is any question with your employer,
     whomever you have to talk with, tell them that I ordered you to
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     be in here at 9:00. And then we will release you as soon as
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     you are finished. And we'll try to get you out of here well
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     before 10:00.
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                MS. GLENN:
                            Okay.
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                THE COURT:
                            All right?
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                MS. GLENN:
                            Okay.
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                THE COURT:
                            Thank you very much.
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                Okay, we'll see you tomorrow morning, then, at
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     9:00 o'clock.
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                          (Proceedings adjourned at 4:02 p.m.)
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